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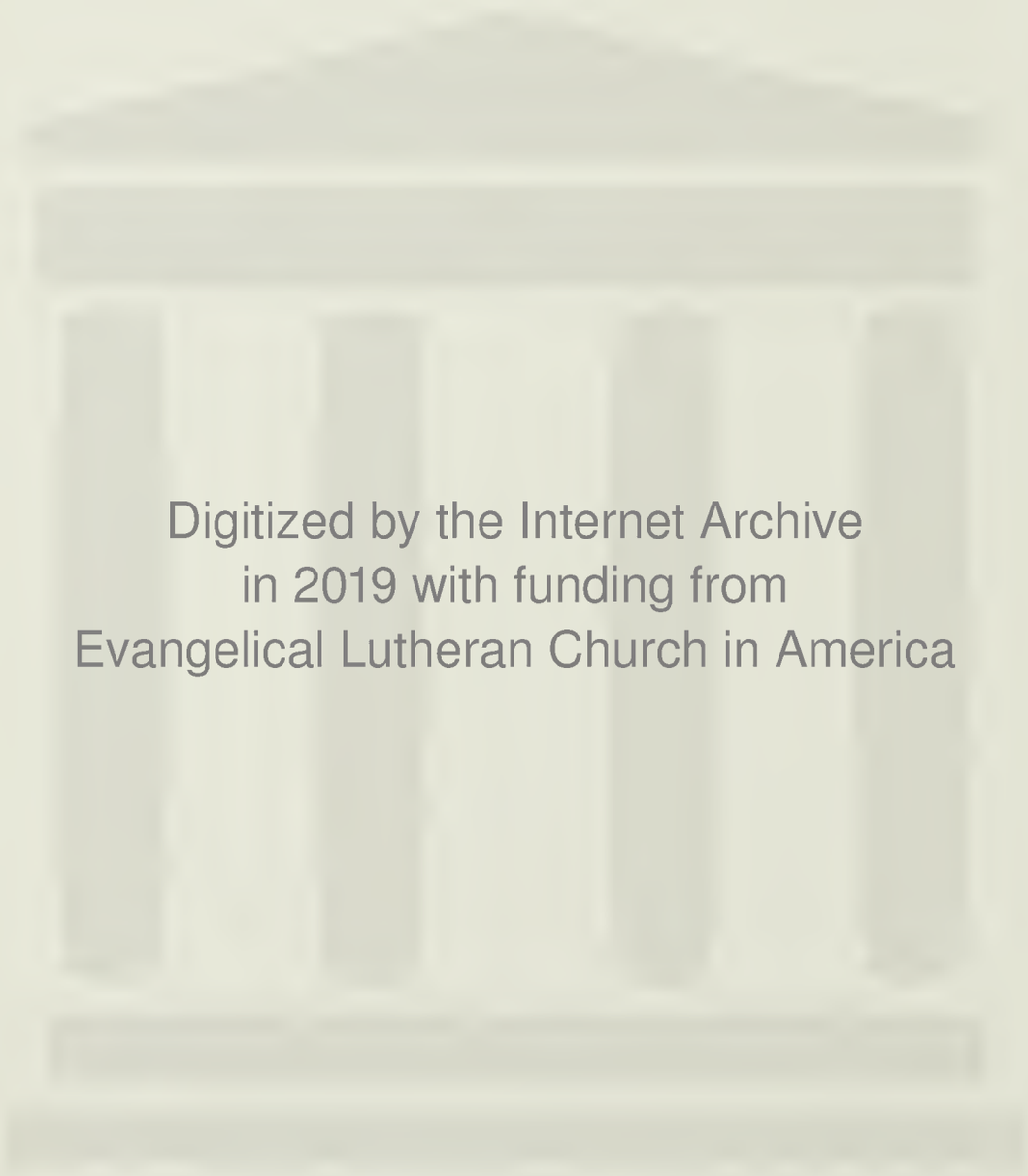
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MINUTES

OF THE

Thirty-third Convention

OF THE

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America

HELD IN

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, LANCASTER, PA.

September 14-19, A. D. 1911

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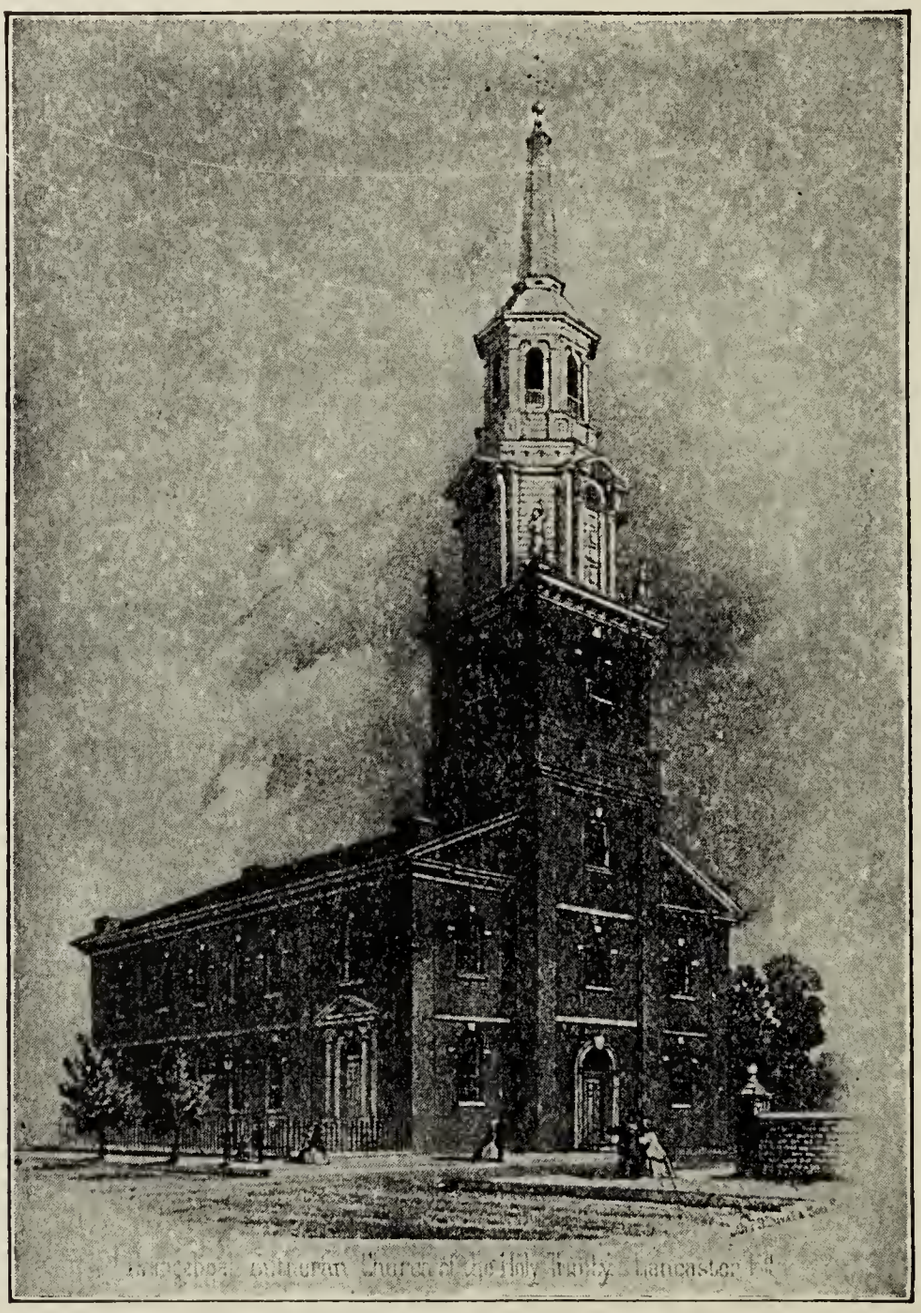
THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY

LANCASTER, PA.

Congregation founded in 1730. First Church, a structure of stone, with tower and bells, built in 1734. Corner-stone of present Church laid May 18, 1761.

Rev. J. E. Whitteker, D.D., Pastor and Rev. W. H. C. Lauer, Assistant



Trinity Church is 60 feet wide by 105 feet in length, and can accommodate twelve hundred people. Its distinctive features are the lofty and well proportioned steeple, the rich chime of bells, the deep galleries, the elaborate organ, and especially the prominent and stately pulpit. The exterior is essentially that of the pastorate of the Rev. Dr. H. E. Muhlenberg, the celebrated botanist. The interior arrangement dates from the opening pastorate of the Rev. Dr. G. F. Krotel, whose coming sixty years ago marked the complete transition from German to English, begun half a century before.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

Thirty-third Convention

OPENING SERVICE.

The Thirty-third Convention of "The General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America" was held in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, Lancaster, Pa., the Rev. John E. Whitteker, D.D., pastor, commencing on Thursday morning, September 14, 1911.

The Confessional Service was held at 10 A. M. in the Chapel, after which the Delegates proceeded in due order to the Church, where the Order of Morning Service was used, beginning at the Introit. These services were conducted by the Officers of the General Council, including the various synodical Presidents as Vice-Presidents of the Council. The President, the Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D.. of Lebanon, Pa., preached the sermon on I Cor. 12:27. His Theme was

"The Body of Christ."

The Lord's Supper was then administered to the Delegates and visiting brethren.

FIRST SESSION.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, LANCASTER, PA.

Thursday, September 14, 1911, 2:30 p. m.

After the singing of Hymn 247, "Blest Spirit, one with God above," the President of the General Council formally opened the Convention for the transaction of business, according to the "Order for the Opening of Synods."

The credentials of Delegates were handed to the President, and the Roll was called. As completed at the close of the Con-

vention, it was as follows, showing an attendance of 108 clerical and 78 lay Delegates, total 186:

ROLL OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

I. Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States.
Organized Trinity Sunday, A. D. 1748.

Clerical.

Rev. Prof. Edward T. Horn, D.D., LL.D., *ex-officio.*
" Prof. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D.
" Prof. Henry E. Jacobs, D.D., LL.D.
" Prof. John A. W. Haas, D.D.
" John E. Whitteker, D.D.
" Prof. George F. Spieker, D.D., LL.D.
" Prof. Jacob Fry, D.D., LL.D., L.H.D.
" Prof Henry Offermann, D.D.
" Joseph Stump, D.D.
" John C. Seegers, D.D.
" Charles E. Haupt, D.D.
" Theo. W. Kretschmann, Ph.D.
" Harvey A. Weller.
" Charles M. Jacobs.
" Jeremiah F. Ohl, Mus.D.
" Frederick P. Mayser, D.D.
" William D. C. Keiter, D.D.
" Ernest P. H. Pfatteicher, Ph.D.
" Prof. Luther D. Reed.
" Jacob C. Kunzmann, D.D.
" I. Chantry Hoffmann.
" Charles L. Fry, D.D.
" Ernst F. Bachmann.
" August Steimle.
" James F. Lambert.
" John W. Horine.
" Lewis Lindenstruth, D.D.
" Herman H. Bruning, D.D.
" H. Douglas Spaeth.
" Oscar E. Pflueger.
" Wilson M. Rehrig, Ph.D.
" Solomon E. Ochsenford, D.D.
" P. George Sieger.

Lay.

Prof. George T. Ettinger, Ph.D.
E. Augustus Miller, Esq.
David D. Fritch, M.D.
Prof. Charles A. Marks, Mus.D.
Frank D. Bittner.
William H. Hager.
Prof. Lewis M. Haupt, Sc.D.
Wm. P. N. Braun.
Reuben D. Wenrich, M.D.
Hon. Cyrus R. Lantz.
James M. Snyder.
Prof. Samuel P. Sadtler, Ph.D., LL.D.
E. Clarence Miller.
Hon. Frank M. Riter.
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William S. Mohr.
Charles B. Opp.
William M. Mearig.
George E. Schlegelmilch, Esq.
Evan B. Lewis, Esq.
Charles P. Ulrich, Esq.
Irwin G. Romich.
Frank P. D. Miller.
Charles A. Worsley.
Frederick C. Hassold.
Jacob F. Trexler, M.D.
Prof. William Benbow.
Luther R. Shearer.
Trion D. Fritch.
George W. March.
M. L. March.
Harry Hodges.

II. Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of the State of New York and Adjacent States and Countries.

Organized Oct. 23, A. D. 1786.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Christian G. Fischer, *ex-officio.*	Jacob Dangler.
" George C. F. Haas, D.D.	Martin Wulff.
" Gottlieb C. Berkemeier, D.D.	John Blohm.
" Hugo Hoffmann, Ph.D.	George F. Semken.
" Gustav Doering.	Ernest C. Muncke.
" Daniel W. Peterson.	John H. Prigge.
" John A. Weyl.	Theodore Roehrs.
" Henry C. Wasmund.	Friedrich Wendling.
" C. Reinhold Tappert.	Edward C. Meurer.
" Frederick H. Bosch.	John H. W. Doscher.
" J. C. Rudolph Luehrs.	August Greulich.
" Carl B. Schuchard.	
" John A. Timm.	
" Ernst A. Tappert.	
" Jacob W. Loch, Ph.D.	—26

III. Pittsburgh Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Organized January 15, A. D. 1845.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. George J. Gongaware, D.D., *ex-officio.*	W. Warren Wattles.
	Adam Leib.
" William J. Miller, D.D.	David H. Rankin.
" Prof. C. Theodore Benze, D.D.	George F. Greiner, Esq.
	J. T. Ambrose, M.D.
" Henry W. Roth, D.D.	William N. McNair, Esq.
" Prof. Elmer F. Krauss, D.D.	Hon. George A. Baldwin.
" Edmund Belfour, D.D.	Daniel A. Mowry.
" Hugo R. Erdmann.	Prof. Otto F. H. Bert.
" G. Franklin Gehr.	Henry S. Zimmerman.
" Frank C. Oberly.	D. Dillman, M.D.
" Frank P. Bossart.	J. A. Maier.
" Gustave A. Benze, D.D.	
" William E. Frey.	
" Earnest A. Trabert.	—25

IV. Evangelical Lutheran District Synod of Ohio.

Organized A. D. 1867.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. E. L. T. Engers, *ex-officio.*	Charles Baker.
" George W. Mechling, D.D.	Charles Dresher.
" W. George Dressler, D.D.	Prof. G. W. Ludy.
" William A. Beates.	Adam Stupp.
" A. B. Markley, Ph.D.	J. Fred. Smith. —10

V. Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod.

Organized June 5, A. D. 1860.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Lawrence A. Johnston, D.D., *ex-officio*	Prof. Claude W. Foss, Ph.D.
" Laurentius G. Abrahamson, D.D., K.N.O.	John H. Benson.
" Titus A. Conrad.	Carl E. Bohman.
" F. O. Hanson	Andrew G. Anderson, R.V.O.
" Erland Anderson.	J. E. Hultberg.
" Gustaf Nelsenius, D.D.	J. M. S. Anderson.
" Fritz Jacobson, Ph.D., R.N.O.	
" Peter J. O. Cornell.	
" A. E. Ericsson.	
" Alfred Appell.	
" Ernest C. Blomquist.	
" Constantine M. Esbjorn, Ph.D., D.D., R.V.O.	
" David E. Lofgren.	
" A. M. L. Herenius.	
" J. A. Broden.	
" Hilding Myreen.	
" Lars W. Gullatrom.	
" George R. Peterson.	
" Axel B. Lilja.	
". Albert W. Lindquist.	—26

VI. Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada.

Organized July 21, A. D. 1861.

Clerical.

Rev. Emil Hoffmann, D.D., *ex-officio.*
" Frederick Veit.
" Ottomar Lincke.
" Ernst Neudoerffer. —4

VII. Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Organized A. D. 1871; reorganized Sept. 24, 1896.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Alonzo H. Arbaugh, *ex-officio.*	Edward A. Haas.
" M. Edmund Haberland.	Charles T. A. Anderson.
" William J. Seiberling.	Albert G. Webber, Esq.
" Prof. George H. Gerberding, D.D.	Emil L. Sawalish.
" Elmer D. S. Boyer.	Frank T. Laughner.

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VIII. English Synod of the Northwest.

Organized September 23, A. D. 1891.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev Albert J. Reichert, *ex-officio.*	Henry W. Knauff.
" William K. Frick, D.D.	Jacob K. Jensen.
" Anthony F. Elmquist, Ph.D.	

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IX. German Manitoba Synod.

Organized July 23, A. D. 1897.

Clerical.

Rev. Emil Knappe.

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X. Pacific Synod.

Organized Sept. 25, A. D. 1901.

Clerical.

Rev. Merrell E. Boulton, *ex-officio.*

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XI. New York and New England Synod.

Organized Sept. 24, A. D. 1902.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Frederick A. Kaehler, D.D., *ex-officio.*	Robert E. Gaskell.
	John W. Greene.
" Samuel G. Weiskotten, D.D.	Fred J. Walter.
" Edwin F. Keever.	Frederick Henrick.
" Franklin F. Fry.	
" Charles J. Smith.	
" William M. Horn.	

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XII. Nova Scotia Synod.

Organized July 10, A. D. 1903.

Clerical.

Rev. Wm. M. Weaver, *ex-officio.*

XIII. Synod of Central Canada.

Organized May 26, A. D. 1909.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Milton J. Bieber, *ex-officio.*	J. C. Casselman.

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Number of Delegates Present:

Clerical, 108; Lay, 78. Total, 186.

OFFICIAL VISITORS.

From the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa and Other States.

Rev. Frederick Richter, D.D., President, Clinton, Ia.

From the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America.

Rev. Prof. Frank P. Manhart, D.D., Selinsgrove, Pa.

From the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South.

Rev. Michael M. Kinard, Ph.D., Salisbury, N. C.

Names of Visiting Clergymen in the Unity of the Faith with the General Council.

Asbjorn C. Anda.
James L. Becker.
F. K. Bernd.
U. S. G. Bertolet.
Gust. A. Bierdeman, D.D.
Wm. F. Bond.
J. J. Brubeck.
Ernest R. Cassaday.
H. T. Clymer.
Charles J. Cooper, D.D.
Frederick E. Cooper.
Zenan M. Corbe.
E. C. Cronk.
Henry J. Croushore.
Edgar H. Daugherty.
Willis F. Deibert.
Frederick Doerr.
Charles E. Dozer.
George Drach.
Henry C. Erbes.
Charles K. Fegley.
W. H. Fehr.
Ira F. Frankenfield.
Franklin K. Fretz, Ph.D.
Frederick W. Friday.
George Gebert.
George W. Genszler.
Joseph O. Glenn.
John Hall.
Alexander J. D. Haupt, D.D.
Charles H. Hemsath.
Jonas O. Henry.
Charles J. Hirzel.
William L. Hunton, Ph.D.
Edward T. Horn, Jr.
Frank E. Jensen.
August C. Karkan.
George A. Kercher.
Philip Kirchner.
Charles E. Kistler.
Ira W. Klick.
John J. Kline.
William H. Kline.
William M. Kopenhaver.
John H. Kuder.
Melvin A. Kurtz.
Drahodine Kvacala.
Henry K. Lantz.
William C. L. Lauer.
William H. C. Lauer.
John Legum.
Ambrose W. Leibensperger.
Emil G. Lund, D.D.
Robert B. Lynch.
Aden B. MacIntosh.
George W. McClanahan.
Emil L. Meister.
Henderson N. Miller, Ph.D.
John Mueller.
Ernest T. A. Neudoerffer.

H. F. Obenauf.
John H. Raker.
Adam L. Ramer, Ph.D.
J. Charles Rausch.
Richard C. Rengier.
Gomer C. Rees.
J. S. Renninger.
Bernard Repass.
H. Branson Richards.
John W. Richards.
John E. Richards.
Herbert F. Richards.
D. Luther Roth, D.D.
John W. Rumple, Ph.D.
Jacob H. Sandt.
Frederick W. Schaefer.
Nathaniel Scheffer.
George M. Scheidy.
Hiram F. J. Seneker.
Henry D. E. Siebott.
G. C. Smith.
John W. Smith.
J. Lawson Smith, D.D.
Edwin H. Smoll.
C. G. Stacy.
Carl J. Streich.
John H. Strenge.
George H. Trabert, D.D.
Lewis S. Trump.
Walter C. G. Veit.
Edward J. Wackernagel.
H. W. Warmkessel.
James Q. Waters.
George L. Weibel.
Solomon M. Wenrich.
Oscar V. Werner.
Benjamin D. Wessinger.
Elmore L. Wessinger.
J. Howard Worth.
J. L. Yonce.
M. Luther Zweizig.

Application of New Synods.

The Slovak Evangelical Lutheran Zion Synod in North America made application for admission to the General Council. The application was referred to the following Committee on the Application of New Synods: The Revs. H. Offermann, D.D., L. G. Abrahamson, D.D., G. C. F. Haas, D.D., H. W. Roth, D.D., C. M. Esbjorn, D.D., G. C. Berkemeier, D.D., F. P. Mayser, D.D., A. J. Reichert, S. G. Weiskotten, D.D., H. R. Erdmann, E. Hoffmann, D.D., Prof. L. M. Haupt, Sc.D., C. P. Ulrich, Esq., and Messrs. E. L. Sawalish, J. H. Benson, and J. E. Hultberg.

In the Seventh Session the Rev. Dr. H. W. Roth presented the

REPORT ON THE ADMISSION OF THE ZION SLOVAK SYNOD.

It is respectfully reported that the papers placed into the hands of your Committee embrace the Constitution of the Zion Slovak Lutheran Synod of North America and its application for admission to the General Council. The following action is recommended:

1. The General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America hereby expresses its sincere gratification that a number of Slovak pastors who are in the Unity of the Faith as confessed by the General Council have united in the organization of the Zion Slovak Lutheran Synod of North America, and present a request for admission at this Convention to membership with the General Council.

2. Inasmuch as the organization of the Zion Slovak Synod, as submitted, does not appear to be complete, the brethren of the Synod be hereby fraternally requested to make their organization conform to the Principles of Faith and Church Polity of the General Council, which require that the congregations, embracing both the pastors and the laity, shall constitute the Synod, which may be received into the membership of the General Council.

3. That the President appoint a committee to assist and counsel the Slovak brethren in the proper organization of their Synod.

THE COMMITTEE.

Items 1 and 2 were adopted, and under item 3 it was, on motion,

Resolved, That we request the Synod, after it has been duly formed, to present its application for admission at the next meeting of the General Council.

Committee: Revs. Hugo R. Erdman, H. E. Jacobs, D.D., and Alfred Appell.

During a discussion of this report the privilege of the floor was granted to the Rev. K. Salva, of Cleveland, O.

The report was then adopted as a whole.

The President presented his official report, as follows:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

PART I.

GENERAL RELATIONS, DOCTRINE, AND LIFE.

One hundred and sixty-two years ago, on June 4, 1749, Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, at the age of thirty-eight, with the ministers and delegates of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, came to this hallowed block, while the bells were ringing, in solemn procession, as the delegates of the General Council did this morning, and opened the second convention of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania with a sermon and the celebration of the Holy Communion. The proceedings were in German, but at six o'clock in the evening he preached a sermon to the English people.

Could Muhlenberg stand here today, and behold how the Church of his beloved Lord in America has increased from a little flock to a communicant membership of two and a quarter million, and how the German, Swedish, and English membership he strove to unite, is gathered in this congregation, for the first time in one hundred and forty-nine years, and represents a communicant membership of a half million, how his heart would be filled with profoundest gratitude to his Lord and Saviour!

It would also have rejoiced his soul, and that of John Caspar Stoever who preceded him, both of whom organized the old historical churches to the west of the Susquehanna, which now constitute a part of the General Synod, to know that that great general body, assembled last June in our national capital, planted itself squarely, in so many words,

upon the Unaltered Augsburg Confession. It still further would have pleased him to know that the percentage of growth of the Lutheran Church in the New England States, during the past year, has been greater than that of any other Christian denomination.

Verily the word of the Saviour has been fulfilled, and the seed which the pious patriarchs of our Church in this land have sown, is yielding thirty, sixty and a hundred fold. It behooves us who have entered into other men's labors, to be up and doing, and to be gathering sheaves that are white unto the harvest.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

In many respects our Church is in the rear of other faiths in its activities and work. This is notably true in the field of religious education. In the one city of New York alone, the Roman Church possesses 168 school buildings which were erected at a cost of 18 millions of dollars and in which 126,000 children are taught daily. Every year $1,400,000, or over twice as much as the total contributions of the General Council, or over one-half as much as the total contributions of the Lutheran Church in America amount to, is spent for the salary of the teaching force, etc., of the Roman Church, in New York City.

Prof. G. Stanley Hall, psychologist and President of Clark University, recently said, "Protestant though I am, I believe that with the young, morality needs religious reinforcement, and in this general proposition I believe the Catholics are right, and that schools should not be so secularized as to become Godless. I do not forget that France and Japan are experimenting on just this line. But both these countries have been driven to this step by political and other exigencies. Moreover, France and Japan realize the gravity of the problem and are doing everything in their power to make *civic life* and *public service and welfare* a religion. Now the child's soul . . is nine-tenths feeling and instinct, and this age witnesses a vast access of all these old hereditary powers that shape human life, while the intellect is still feeble and unable to control the passions and sentiments which thus need reinforcement by supernatural sanction."

Prof. Hall believes that the system of public education in our country has grown enormously in size and improved in quality, but that it is relatively falling behind, and does not meet our needs as well as the school system of a hundred years ago did. Among the shortcomings he enumerates is the progressive feminization of the teaching corps. The school child needs male teachers, says he, just as well as a home needs a father. A second weakness is that one-fifth of our English-American teaching force changes every year and goes into some other vocation. The methods of teaching are behind the best that is attained in other lands. There is a vitality about German teaching exercises that we do not know. The German teacher teaches and does not spend the vast amount of energy that our methods require in finding out whether pupils had prepared tasks previously assigned, and in keeping up the elaborate system of marking and grading which is one of the disheartening and nerve-racking duties which

American superintendents, especially in large cities, require teachers to do.

On February 20, 1911, I received a letter from Dr. R. F. Weidner drawing attention to a pamphlet written by Dr. Samuel Wagenhals on "A Menance to Our Free School System." The pamphlet challenges the right of professors in our state universities to teach their pupils irreligion. It says, and rightly so, "The state may not teach religion, but neither may she teach irreligion . . . State religion is as great an absurdity as state love . . . The state is not authorized to make men nominally religious." This pamphlet should have the widest circulation.

The field and the work of our Church in the Higher State Institutions of Learning—Universities and Colleges—deserves the attention and the commendation of all thoughtful members of the Church.

GENERAL ECCLESIASTICAL MOVEMENTS.

The position taken by the General Council two years ago respecting the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and the World's Missionary Conference, has, since then, been approved by utterances in conservative evangelical papers.

At the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in 1910, the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies appointed a Joint Commission to arrange for a World's Conference on Faith and Order, to be participated in by all Christian bodies which confess our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour, for the study and discussion of things in which the bodies differ, without power to legislate, or to pass resolutions.

Up to July 25th of this year the following churches have appointed commissions to meet with the Episcopal Commission: the Southern Methodists, the Southern Baptists, the Northern Moravians, the Reformed Church, the Presbyterian Church. The Northern Methodist Church has appointed a committee of inquiry. The Commission publishes that the "Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America," is already represented by the following persons: Dr. J. B. Remensnyder, Dr. M. W. Hamma, Dr. D. H. Bauslin, Dr. W. A. Granville, Judge P. S. Grosscup.

The work of the Conference is undertaken "with the definite hope that it may help to prepare the way for the outward and visible reunion of all who confess our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour." As the first step toward unity, the purpose is to hold a Conference for the consideration of questions of Faith and Order. The Commission publishes that the subject was presented before the Luther Social Union of Philadelphia on February 20, 1911; and that there was an interview by appointment between two of its members and Cardinal Gibbons of Baltimore, "in which the Cardinal expressed friendly interest in the subject, a desire to be kept informed of the progress of the movement, and a conviction both that clear statement of positions would show them to be nearer together than had been supposed, and that only good could come of the effort to promote the spirit in which such a Conference should be undertaken. The interview closed with prayer offered by His Eminence."

There was also an interview between a member of the Commission and the Archbishop of the Holy Orthodox Eastern Church, who expressed great interest in Church Unity, and who promised to transmit the formal communication of the Commission to the Holy Governing Synod in Russia. The Commission has resolved to appoint on Executive Committee, to issue publications in its name, to approach the Archbishops and Metropolitans of the Church of England, and to communicate with other established national churches than that of England.

In the correspondence which I have had with the Secretary of the Commission, I said, on behalf of the General Council, that we fully agree with the view of the Commission, "that the beginnings of unity are to be found in the clear statement of those things in which we differ, as well as of those things in which we are at one"; and that we are in accord with the Commission in the desire "to lay aside self-will, and to put on the mind which is in Christ Jesus"; that, however, we do not regard "Faith" and "Order" as being on the same essential plane; that we do not believe that a Unity of "Order", or the union of the Church Visible, i. e., of ecclesiastical denominations, is the unity to which our Saviour referred in His prayer to the Father; that we do not believe that there is any unity in the Church which is not a unity of principle; that we do not believe that unity in the Faith can be reached by any agreement to agree; that we do not regard a unity of government or of order, or that "outward and visible reunion" of Christendom which is the ultimate object of this Conference, as important, or as desirable, in advance of a unity of principle; that we do not look on other Protestants as rivals, from whose ranks we should make proselytes; that we believe in acting on our faith as a matter of conscience, until such a time, if the Lord brings it about, as the consciences of Christians be cleared to hold the same faith; and that, meantime, we do not regard an externally divided Protestantism as a disgrace to Christendom, in so far as differences are a matter of faith and conscience; and that an official invitation to co-operate in this movement would probably be referred to a committee of our body to be considered fundamentally and report at a later stage.

The Secretary replied in effect that he personally (if not all his Church,) was in harmony with these principles, and the Commission sent on an invitation. I recommend that the invitation and the correspondence be referred to a committee to consider fundamentally, historically, and ecclesiastically, in the light of our own principles and polity, and report to the next meeting of the General Council.

THE LUTHERAN WORLD'S CONFERENCE.

For over forty years, and from the start, the General Council has been a member of The International Conference of Lutherans, and has been represented on the Executive Committee for the last decade by Dr. A. Spaeth and the President of the General Council. At the last meeting in Minneapolis, the General Council raised a voice of warning against the change of the constitution made by the Executive Committee with reference to internal conditions in Germany, and approved the protest of our

own members of the Executive Committee against such change, and instructed its delegate to propose a Free World Conference or Congress of all Lutherans who accept ex animo the Confessions of our Church.

In a lengthy interview with Bishop V. Scheele, the Zweiter Vorsitzer of the Conference, at Rock Island last summer, he expressed his great satisfaction with the position and aims of the General Council, and I solemnly promised, that as the International Conference met this year in Upsala, we would send one more delegate, and that this delegate would present to the Conference our action and our warning.

Last spring I received letters of earnest invitation from Prof. Ihmels, Erster Vorsitzer, and from Bishop V. Scheele, to come over and represent the Council, but it would have been impossible to return to America in time for this Convention. For this reason Dr. Berkemeier, the German Secretary, Dr. Offermann, Dr. Hoffman and Rev. Kirsch could not represent us. I attempted to come into touch with Dr. Andreen of Rock Island, a member of the Committee, but he was traveling, and my letter did not reach him until the last ship had sailed. Dr. C. M. Esbjorn could not go; and at the final moment, I persuaded Dr. Sandt, on less than a week's notice, to undertake the journey. He bore letters and full instructions, among which were to act so far as may be in unison with Rev. Philip G. Thelander, Ph.D., delegate of the Augustana Synod, and presented the accompanying greeting from the General Council to the Conference at Upsala. Herr Emil Boas, Director of the Hamburg-American line, at my request, cheerfully placed a fine state room on the first cabin of the Amerika at the disposal of Dr. Sandt, and the officers of the Line have shown him every possible courtesy, as the representative of the General Council.

A cablegram and a letter from Dr. Sandt show that the representative of the General Council was most cordially received, and accorded every courtesy and honor, that he presented and set forth the resolutions of the body, and conferred with the leaders on all sides, that the Conference itself transacts no business, and the American matter was referred to the Executive Committee or Engere Conferenz, which, however, failed to meet at the appointed time because one of the distinguished representatives preached too lengthy a sermon; and that the subject will be taken up at a future session of the Engere Conferenz. Our proposition is practically to release the International Conference from the control of the State Church in Germany, to free it from all the complicated relations of established State Churches, and to make it a World's Congress of all Lutherans who are on a sound confessional basis. This was the proposal urged by Dr. Spaeth before his death.

PART II.

GENERAL COUNCIL WORK.

THE QUADRI-CENTENNIAL JUBILEE.

There remain but six years for the Lutheran Church to prepare a proper World celebration of the Quadri-Centennial of the Reformation. The celebration this year of the Three Hundredth Anniversary of the

Authorized Version of the English Bible has shown that almost no English or American writers have taken cognizance of the part Luther's German Version played in the making of the English Version, and the lesson taught is, that, unless we take time by the forelock, as a Church, the beginnings of Protestantism will be celebrated here in America by Americans with Luther as a great and heroic historical character, but with the Lutheran Church regarded as some obscure sect which has barely heard of the Great Reformer!

To the Jubilee Committee of our Council has been committed the extraordinary financial task of raising two million dollars for the Church in honor of the Jubilee, and also of submitting plans at this session for the worthy celebration of the coming event. They will bring in a report.

THE LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE.

Two years ago the Laymen of the General Council held a Conference, after the analogy of the successful German Conference, with the authorization of the President, and the Council gave permission to the Synods to appoint a Committee of Laymen, with the President of the Council as chairman to consider, to act and report on this matter. The Laymen's Conference was held yesterday on a broader basis than before, and with practically a full day and evening given to a consideration of larger plans for the business welfare of the Church. It would have been impossible to excuse the laymen for one whole day from the sessions of the Council, nor could we have given them either Thursday evening, which had to be devoted to Foreign Missions, or Friday evening, for the public meeting. Hence Wednesday, the day for preliminary meetings, was offered to them.

ARBITRATION ON HOME MISSIONS WITH THE GENERAL SYNOD.

The question of Arbitration of our Home Mission affairs, which has been a serious matter to us, with complaints coming in on all sides of the reputed encroachment of the General Synod in many parts on territory reserved for us under the mutual agreements of 1895 and 1897, after a vigorous and wholesome presentation of the subject to the General Synod by our Official Visitor, seems to have at last come to the point where the Joint Committee will meet and consider the principle and the cases as early as possible this fall. Some of the cases appealed to me have already been referred by myself to our Arbitration Committee, and others will be handed over herewith. It is essential, however, first of all for the joint body to come into the clear as to the principle under which it is operating.

STATISTICS AND A LUTHERAN YEAR BOOK.

The question of complete and reliable statistics of the Lutheran Church, gathered promptly, and printed annually, has been discussed and acted on time and again by Conferences, Synods, and the General Council itself. The English Recording Secretary has found it exceedingly difficult to secure complete Home Mission statistics of the General Council, although efforts have been made ever since 1895 to gather them.

What the Church needs is a competent Committee on Statistics composed of experts, which should include the editors of our Almanacs, the statisticians of our Synods, the secretaries of such Boards as enter into the problem, and all officials whose duty it is to gather these figures at first hand, together with such persons as have made a special study of the organism of the statistics. Our Committee this year is probably efficient, but covers only a part of the field.

It is recommended that such a committee be appointed at this meeting of the Council and that the special co-operation of every Synod in the Council be invoked, so that the figures for the General Council Lutheran Church for the year 1912 will be both complete and correct.

Furthermore, and as a sequel to the above, I recommend that a Committee be appointed to frame and gather the material for an annual General Council Lutheran Year Book, to be sold at the price of 50 cts., the copy to be offered to the General Council Publication Board free of charge, and that the sum of $125.00 be appropriated annually by the General Council for this purpose; also that the official general bodies be instructed to invite the co-operation of other bodies in the issuance of a common year book for the Lutheran Church in America.

THE DOCUMENTARY HISTORY OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

The examination of the manuscript of this work was committed to a committee and myself. On September 1, 1910, the committee reported, "We have gone fully through Dr. Ochsenford's Documentary History and believe that its early publication will be of great use to the Church. The first part in particular impresses us as having much important material that the ministry of today could not otherwise secure." This coincided with my own judgment, and on September 12, 1910, I so informed the Board of Publication, in accordance with the action taken by the General Council.

THE PLANS OF THE CANADA SYNODS.

In July 1910 I heard of the intention of the German Canada Synod and the English Central Synod of Canada to unite in the establishment of a Theological Seminary at Toronto (later at Waterloo). This matter already had been referred to two committees by the General Council at Minneapolis.

In an interview with the President of the English Home Mission Board, he informed me that the General Council English Mission Board had nothing to do with the matter, and that the Synods themselves ought to be consulted.

Early in September, a letter came to me from a friend of one of the newly-elected professors, asking me, as President of the General Council, whether the institution was established with the approbation of the Council. I requested the German Secretary of the Council to seek an interview with the President of the German Canada Synod and a proper representative of the English Synod of Central Canada, and such others as might be interested.

This interview took place on the night of September 21st in Buffalo, and after a very extended discussion, the two representatives of the General Council became convinced of the need of such an institution, while the representatives of the institution also were convinced of the importance of gaining the consent of the Council prior to the formal establishment and opening of the institution. On my recommendation they sent a statement of their case to the officers of the Council and to the two committees to whom the matter had been referred, asking the committees to consider the subject promptly, and to inform the Canadian brethren, in view of the necessity of making financial and other preparations for such an enterprise, as early as possible, as to whether their report to the Council would be favorable to the establishment of an institution or not.

The matter will come up at this meeting of the Council for decision, and as the brethren who are engaging in this new enterprise are representing a great need, and are intensely desirous of carrying out their plan in the spirit and according to the praxis of the Council, both doctrinally and practically, and intend to guard and protect the interests of all parts of the Council in this work, we hope that their endeavor, especially after their willingness to delay the opening of their institution for a full year, will meet with the approval of the Council.

As will appear in the Proceedings of the German Conference, the Synod of Manitoba likewise desires to establish an educational institution.

We rejoice that the German Home Mission Board has found a suitable overseer of the vast field in Manitoba in the person of Rev. E. Knappe, who is here to present his work and that of his Synod to this Council. We are grateful also to the editor of the Deutsche Lutheraner for his forcible articles in protection of our Mission Field against unscrupulous encroachment from without.

PART III.

THE HAND OF DEATH.

We regret the death in foreign lands of that follower of Zahn in New Testament Criticism, Prof. J. Ewald, of Erlangen, and of Pastor Weitbrecht in Stuttgart, and in particular of Prof. Paul Tschackert, of Goettingen, the historian of the Reformation Era, whose great book on the History of the Origin of the Lutheran and Reformed Church Doctrine appeared only last year.

But for us, as a General Council, the irreparable loss has been that of our great pillar of doctrine and praxis, the Rev. Prof. A. Spaeth, D.D., LL.D., who has been unfailingly present at our conventions, who was a leading member of many of our committees, whose substantial, simple and sober presentations of Scriptural doctrine on our floor were always heard with great respect; who, since the death of Dr. Krauth, was perhaps the most loyal and devoted member of the General Council which it possessed; who was the German Secretary of the Council from the beginning, after the resignation of his friend Dr. G. Fritschel, down to 1872; and who succeeded Dr. Krauth as the President of the General

Council in 1880 and continued in office for eight successive years; who represented the General Council in Europe for many years; whose repute as a great Lutheran Theologian and Churchman was world-wide; whose historical writings on the Lutheran Church of America will not soon pass away; who, though a German, stood, like Dr. Krauth, for an ecumenical Lutheranism apart from any language; who was an ardent believer in the development of the sound Lutheran principle under American conditions and in the future of the General Council as the true exponent of the same; to whom the General Council owes more in the sphere of Liturgics than it realizes, and whose imperishable monument, recognized in its value to Lutheranism, on both sides of the Atlantic, is our German Kirchenbuch. He died June 25, 1910, the Three Hundred and Eightieth Anniversary of the Augsburg Confession, at the age of seventy years and seven months. May the General Council ever be true to its ideals, at once strong, simple and broad, as expounded by the lamented Dr. A. Spaeth!

In the death of the Rev. Dr. John Nicum of Rochester, New York, on November 7, 1909, the General Council lost one of its most loyal and zealous members, and its most prompt and able defender. Dr. Nicum was a believer, heart and soul, in the fundamental position of this General Council. He possessed an unusually clear and logical mind, and a keen insight into the substance and relations of doctrine as they unfold themselves in history. He could be depended on to present the case of the General Council, and to ward off the attacks of adversaries, whether at home or abroad. He was probably the only regular writer, on the basis of the General Council, for the European German Church world. He stood squarely on the four points of the General Council and on these points practiced as he preached, and his loss to our body on this account is central, and wider than appears on the surface. Dr. Nicum was German Recording Secretary of the General Council from 1886 to 1897, and German Corresponding Secretary from 1905 to the day of his death. He was also a member of the Board of German Home Missions, and of the Committee on German General Council Conference, General Conference in Europe, Statistics, Uniform Statistical Blanks, and a prominent member of the Committee on Publishing a General Council Digest. Dr. Nicum was a member of the American Society of Church History, and the author of the History of the New York Ministerium, of a German edition of Wolf's Lutherans in America, and of other historical works.

Last spring we received the news of the death of the Rev. Dr. Schmidt, for many years our chief missionary in India and under whom we acquired much of our property there. He came to America with Father Heyer in 1869 and was ordained by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, sailing for the foreign field in 1870 and spending thirteen years there without intermission. He returned to America in 1874, in 1885, and again in 1894, and labored actively in the Rajahmundry field until 1902, when he retired after a period of active missionary labors extending over thirty-two years.

Another loss is that of Rev. Dr. J. H. Harpster, an old soldier and

officer of the Civil War, who first went as a missionary to India in 1872, building on Father Heyer's first foundations in the Palnud with great success. In 1901, on returning to India under our own Foreign Board, he succeeded Dr. Schmidt, and he returned in time to be present at the last meeting of the General Council at Minneapolis, where we all recall him on this floor. His burning words in behalf of India Foreign Missions will not be forgotten throughout the General Council.

One of the saddest of the losses which we have sustained has been that of Dr. Ludwig Holmes, who came to Philadelphia last fall, apparently in good health, for the purpose of attending the Church Book Committee. He was present at the meeting for a half day, but complained of severe pain in his head. He was removed to the German Hospital in Philadelphia and breathed his last there on Monday, November 7th. Dr. Holmes had held many positions of honor in the Augustana Synod. He was a man of high taste in literature, and of repute as an author. He received the degree of L.H.D. from Augustana College in 1902, and in 1907 became a Knight of the Order of Vasa. The circumstances of his death, coming as they did in his desire to discharge his duties on behalf of the General Council, and in a strange city, were exceedingly sad.

On September 9, 1910, Dr. Johann Alfred Enander, a prolific Swedish-American writer, and often called the Nestor of the Swedish-American Press, died at his home in Chicago, after spending the summer at the Augustana Hospital. Dr. Enander was a graduate of Augustana College and from 1890 to 1893 was professor of the Swedish language and literature there. He received the degree of Doctor of Laws from the institution in 1892.

Among other well-known clergy, now deceased, are Rev. E. L. Reed, father of Prof. Luther D. Reed, and the Rev. J. G. Pfuhl, pastor of our German Church at Harrisburg.

PART IV.

INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION.

APPOINTMENTS.

Ministerial Pension Fund Committee.

On February, 1910, in response to a request from Hon. C. A. Smith, chairman pro tem of this Committee, I appointed Wm. H. Hager, W. Warren Wattles, and Rev. E. A. Trabert additional members of the committee, and so informed its secretary.

Committee on Two Million Dollar Jubilee Fund.

In response to a petition received from this committee on January 18th, I increased its membership to 18, adding three from the New York and New England Synod, five from the Pennsylvania Ministerium, three from the Augustana Synod, one from the District Synod of Ohio, and subsequently increased the number to 20.

Vacancy on German Home Mission Board.

On February 11, 1910, I nominated the Rev. Philip Kirchner, of Reading, to fill the place left vacant on this Board through the death of the Rev. John Nicum, D.D.

Committee on German Conference.

On December 15, 1910, I appointed the Rev. E. Brennecke, of New York, a member of this committee in place of the Rev. John Nicum, D.D., deceased.

Committee on Inner Mission Work.

Shortly after the close of the General Council I appointed a Committee on Inner Mission Work as it stands in the Minutes of the General Council, making some changes in the interest of greater convenience of assembly and greater efficiency.

Arbitration Commission.

On September 1, 1911, after correspondence with the chairman of the similar Commission of the General Synod, I appointed the following as members of the Arbitration Commission to correspond in numbers with the membership of the General Synod Commission: Dr. W. D. C. Keiter, Dr. G. J. Gongaware, Dr. G. A. Andreen, Dr. S. G. Weiskotten, Rev. E. F. Keever, Rev. H. A. Weller, Rev. G. A. Brandelle, Prof. C. W. Foss, Prof. O. F. H. Bert, Hon. F. M. Riter, Rev. N. R. Melhorn.

NO SEVEN-DAY SESSION.

It was not feasible to begin our sessions on Wednesday evening, or to prolong the session of the Council itself for seven days.

It is held by many that Conferences of any of the interests of the Council for the discussion and mutual understanding of complicated details and the putting of business into such simpler shape that petty misunderstandings can be cleared away, and the real issues presented on the floor of the Council in a clearly understood form, will save this body much time, and enable it to devote itself to the consideration and carrying out of the larger principles and practices which distinguish a General Body from its Synodical parts. The opinion has also been freely expressed that there is so much for the great Lutheran Church in America to do to bring its influence to bear properly on our continuously changing American conditions, that we should aim to have no meeting of the Council pass by, without our having taken at least one step forward in all its proper work.

In order to prevent the time of the Council from being consumed by the direct report to it of increasing local inner mission institutions, the Council requested that such institutions forward their individual reports to the Inner Mission Committee, who should summarize and unify the information, and thus give the Council a comprehensive and complete view of the institutional progress in this field during each biennium.

THE COUNCIL AND THE SYNODS.

It is the judgment of your President that the delegates of Synods returning from the Council should request an early and prominent place in the order of business of their own Synod for the hearing of their

report to the Synod, as an item of important business, and for the presentation to the Synod of the recommendations adopted by the Council. The delegation should also select persons to discuss and secure action, favorable or unfavorable, on these recommendations. The report to Synods should look less to statistical details, which can be obtained elsewhere, and more to a presentation of the actual matters before the Church.

BEQUEST TO GENERAL COUNCIL INTERESTS.

On November 18th, 1909, word came to your President that Dr. J. Nicum had left bequests of ten thousand dollars each, payable upon the death of his wife, to the Trustees of the General Council for German Home Missions, and to the cause of Foreign Missions, and also similar bequests to the Philadelphia Seminary, to Muhlenberg College, and other amounts to Wagner College and the Chicago Seminary, with the New York Ministerium as the residuary legatee. In conjunction with other interests we appointed E. Augustus Miller, Esq., Philadelphia, to represent the interests of the General Council, who has been acting in conjunction with Messrs. Warren and Shuster at Rochester. The various interests have paid the New York state tax on the legacy in advance, as required by law, and there is a possibility but not a probability that some arrangement may be made for an earlier settlement of the estate than is contemplated in the will.

TRANSFER OF FOREIGN MISSION PROPERTY TO THE FOREIGN BOARD.

In January, 1911, the Trustees of the General Council were requested to transfer the Foreign Mission property to the Foreign Board, which, in accordance with the resolution of the last convention of the General Council, had been incorporated. By resolution of the Council, the transfer was not to be made until the charter had been approved by the President of the Council.

On examination of the charter, your President found that the direction given at Minneapolis, namely, "that all the work of the Foreign Board shall be on the basis of the principles of Faith and Church Polity of the General Council" had not been followed exactly, but that the new charter declared that the work of the Foreign Board should be "in accordance with the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church as accepted by the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America."

Your President drew the attention of the President of the Foreign Board to the important difference between the two statements, and on February 4th received a letter from the Secretary of the Board stating that at a meeting of the Board on February 2d, "the following was adopted as a part of the constitution of the Board under the charter of incorporation:

"'In accepting the charter of incorporation granted by Judge Wm. H. Staake, November 18, 1910, this Board interprets the clause in Article II, reading, "in accordance with the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran

Church as accepted by the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America" to mean that all the work of this corporation shall be on the basis of the Principles of Faith and Church Polity of the General Council, according to the directions of the General Council in session at Minneapolis, September 9-14, 1909.' "

Your President replied to the Secretary that he would take pleasure in reporting this action of the Board to the General Council, and that he believed that the incorporation of this explanatory clause in the constitution of the Foreign Board was the best that could be done under the circumstances, although an original inclusion of it in the charter would have been better.

I heartily recommend that the General Council direct the Board of Trustees to pass the control of the Foreign Board property into the hands of the Foreign Mission Board Incorporated.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AUGUSTANA SYNOD.

Last June a year the Augustana Synod celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary in a Jubilee at Rock Island probably more impressive and with larger attendance than has ever occurred in connection with any function of the Lutheran Church in North America. Delegates from leading Church bodies in Europe had come across the seas to extend their congratulations, and delegates from a majority of the Synods of the General Council were present. Your President was likewise present, as the representative of this body, and extended its heartfelt congratulations to Augustana, its own largest member, on this great occasion, an occasion that will never be forgotten by those who lived to witness it. The older Church in the East has much to learn in the planning and executing of great financial and ecclesiastical projects from this large and vigorous Synod in our Church.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CANADA SYNOD.

On June 8th, 1911, our German Canada Synod celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary, in connection with the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Toronto congregation, the Rev. Dr. A. C. Redderoth, pastor, in whose parish it met. Your President was unable to be present on this joyous occasion, but sent an official letter of congratulation to the Synod through its honored President, the Rev. Dr. Emil Hoffmann.

GENERAL COUNCIL TREASURY.

Owing to the resolution suggested by our Finance Committee two years ago, the treasury of the General Council is in better condition than ever before in its history. We call attention to the recommendation made to Synods that one day in the biennium should be devoted by our congregations to the General Council as such, and an offering be lifted and sent to the Treasurer of the General Council through the synodical treasurers.

We call attention to the fact that the General Council last year saved much time by appointing a Committee on Budget to whom all Boards asking appropriations for their work should submit such requests. The duty

of this committee is to consider all appropriations asked for by the various Boards and Committees and report the equitable amount to be apportioned to each cause by the General Council. I recommend that the Finance Committee be constituted our Standing Committee on Budget.

ABSTRACT OF MINUTES.

For the first time, during the last session, an English and a Swedish abstract of the proceedings of the Council were prepared for general distribution in our congregations. The question arises whether the custom shall be continued.

OFFICIAL VISITORS.

We call attention to the resolution adopted at the last convention of the General Council to the effect that all official visitors shall be nominated:

"We recommend that all Official Visitors be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the Council, and that hereafter a rubric be placed in the regular order of business entitled, 'Instructions to Official Visitors,' and that such instructions, when given by the Council, be duly signed by the President and the Secretary, and forwarded by the President to the Visitor appointed to represent the Council."

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE E. SCHMAUK, *President.*

The report was received, and referred to the following Committees on the President's Report:

I. *On General Relations, Doctrine and Life.*—The Revs. W. D. C. Keiter, D.D., C. M. Esbjorn, D.D., G. W. Mechling, D.D., J. F. Lambert, E. F. Bachmann, T. W. Kretschmann, Ph.D., Mr. W. S. Mohr, and Mr. Martin Wulff.

II. *On General Council Work.*—The Revs. G. J. Gongaware, D.D., J. E. Whitteker, D.D., Hugo Hoffmann, Ph.D., E. F. Krauss, D.D., M. E. Boulton, E. Veit, M. J. Bieber, Prof. C. W. Foss, Prof. G. T. Ettinger, Ph.D., Messrs. C. B. Opp and J. M. Snyder.

III. *On the Hand of Death.*—The Revs. E. Belfour, D.D., F. A. Kaehler, D.D., G. F. Spieker, D.D., C. E. Haupt, D.D., C. L. Fry, D.D., E. B. Lewis, Esq., J. F. Trexler, M.D., R. D. Wenrich, M.D., Hon C. R. Lantz.

IV. *On Internal Administration.*—The Revs. M. E. Haberland, S. G. Weiskotten, D.D., G. A. Benze, D.D., A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D., Hon. Frank Riter, Prof. Wm. Benbow.

ACTION ON THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

At the Third Session, the Rev. Dr. Kretschmann presented the

REPORT ON PART I. ON GENERAL RELATIONS, DOCTRINE AND LIFE.

Your committee on the first part of the President's report would respectfully submit the following:

1. GROWTH OF THE CHURCH.

With gratitude to Almighty God we would rejoice with our President in the marvelous growth of our Lutheran Church in this country since the days of the consecrated activities of the patriarch of the Lutheran Church of America, Henry Melchior Muhlenberg; and we would encourage ourselves and all our people not merely to enjoy the heritage of the past but to push forward the work of the Church in every direction with a full realization of our responsibility for the growth of the future.

2. EDUCATION.

a. We deplore the lack of religious education of the great mass of the young people of our country as detrimental to the highest interests of both Church and State.

b. Inasmuch as the state in various ways demands religious sanction for its acts, we believe that the state also should allow ample provision to be made for full religious instruction—under the direction of the respective Church bodies: and to this end we endorse the action taken by the Augustana Synod in the year 1910 to the effect that the plan of studies of the public schools should be so arranged as to set apart one-half of a school day each week for the religious instruction of the young by the respective religious and Church bodies.

c. We recommend that this matter be referred to the Board of Education for action, and with instructions to invite cooperation with other religious and educational bodies looking towards the attainment of this end.

d. We would commend the work of the General Council among the Lutheran students in secular institutions to the attention of the various Synods of the Council.

e. We note with gratification the aggressive spirit that is being manifested in our various educational institutions to provide more thorough education for the youth of the Church.

3. WORLD CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER.

In reference to the invitation from the Joint Commission of the Protestant Episcopal Church to participate in a World Conference on Faith and Order:

a. We endorse the action taken by our President and also his statement of principles as in harmony with the Fundamental Principles of the General Council.

b. We recommend that a committee be appointed by the President of the General Council, of which committee he shall be chairman, to consider the advisability of participating in such a proposed conference, and report at the next meeting of the General Council.

c. We would unite in fervent prayer to the Great Head of the Church for the day when all the members of the Body of Christ shall be one in faith, and through Him enjoy "the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

4. LUTHERAN WORLD CONFERENCE.

a. We endorse the action of the President in appointing the Rev. G. W. Sandt, D.D., to represent this body in the Lutheran World Conference, which has recently been held in Upsala, Sweden.

b. We extend our thanks to Dr. Sandt for his prompt acceptance of this appointment (made at so late an hour), and would recommend that his necessary expenses be paid out of the treasury of the General Council.

c. That a letter of appreciation, under seal of the General Council, be forwarded to the Director of the Hamburg-American Line at New York, expressing the thanks of this Body for the courtesy to its representative in granting him free passage to Europe.

d. We recommend that on the arrival of the report of our delegate and of the proceedings of the convention and the conclusions of the "Engere Conferenz," the President shall appoint a committee of which he shall be chairman to take the case into consideration and to report at the next meeting of the General Council, and that this committee constitute the committee on General Conference until the next meeting of the General Council.

W. D. C. KEITER, *Chairman.*
T. W. KRETSCHMANN, *Secretary.*

The several resolutions were adopted, except 2b and 2c, which were referred to the Board of Education, and 2d, which was deferred until the Report of the Committee on Student Work is presented.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. John Haas it was

Resolved, That we commend our Lutheran schools for girls, and earnestly recommend the establishment of more Lutheran Girls' Schools and especially Women's Colleges.

At the Third Session the Rev. Dr. Krauss presented the

REPORT ON PART II. ON GENERAL COUNCIL WORK.

1. Rejoicing in the foresight of our President in view of his statements regarding the beginning of Protestantism, the Committee on General Council Work recommends that we approve heartily of the worthy celebration, by our Lutheran Church, of the Quadri-Centennial of the Reformation, and that we encourage in every way possible the efforts of the Jubilee Committee to make this celebration an unqualified success.

2. We note with great satisfaction the success and enthusiasm attending the Laymen's Meetings held on the day preceding the opening of the Council. We commend this growing movement among our laymen, which augurs well for the progress of the Church, and we encourage them to continue in their good work.

3. We approve the action of the President in appointing a Committee of Arbitration to settle differences which may arise with other Lutheran Bodies; we heartily endorse the principles of arbitration and sincerely

trust that under the application of these principles in the spirit of forbearance and love, all our difficulties and unpleasantnesses with other Lutheran bodies may soon be amicably adjusted.

We heartily recommend the perusal of the address of our fraternal visitor, Dr. Whitteker, to the meeting of the General Synod in Washington, D. C., published in the July issue of the *Lutheran Church Review,* as containing a clear and concise statement of the principles of arbitration.

4. We are gratified by the statements made by our President in his report on the subject of securing complete and reliable statistics of the Lutheran Church, "to be gathered promptly and printed annually"; and we approve cordially of the appointment of a competent committee on statistics as recommended in the report, so that "the figures for the General Lutheran Church for the year 1912 will be both complete and correct," and we likewise approve of his recommendation that the General Council invite the cooperation of other general bodies in the issuance of a common Year Book for the Lutheran Church in America.

In the judgment of the committee the *modus operandi,* the working out of details, the fixing of the price of the Year Book, etc., should be left to the Committee on Statistics, or to committees or subcommittees appointed by them.

5. We are pleased to note in the President's report a reference to the useful and excellent work of Dr. Ochsenford on "The Documentary History of the General Council": we are pleased at the prospect of soon seeing this book in printed form, and recommend that the Council record with gratitude its high appreciation of the arduous labors of Dr. Ochsenford and bespeak a wide circulation of this valuable work among our people.

6. In view of the plans of the two Canada Synods, entered into fully in the President's report, we desire to express our high appreciation of their spirit in postponing for a whole year the opening of their seminary in order to proceed in their work with the approval of the General Council. thereby setting an example of submitting to the regulations of the General Council, and we recommend that the Council recognizes the necessity of a theological seminary for the further extension of the Lutheran Church in Canada, and that it gives its consent to the plan submitted by the two Canada Synods, provided that the Charter and the Constitution of the Seminary be approved by the Presidents of the Canada Synods, the President of the German Home Mission Board and the President of the General Council.

GEORGE J. GONGAWARE, *Chairman.*
ELMER F. KRAUSS, *Secretary.*

The consideration of Item 6 was deferred until the Report of the Committee on the Practical Functions of the General Council is presented. The report, with this exception, was adopted as a whole.

At the Fifth Session the Rev. Dr. E. Belfour presented the

REPORT ON PART III. ON DECEASED MEMBERS.

The committee to whom was referred the item in the President's report, which makes mention of the death of ministers in the service of the General Council, and of some notable men in the Lutheran Church outside this body, respectfully recommend that the President's very appreciative and adequate tributes be accepted as expressive of the feelings of this Council.

EDMUND BELFOUR, *Chairman.*

At the Fourth Session the Rev. Dr. G. A. Benze presented the

REPORT ON PART IV. ON INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION.

Your committee on that portion of the President's report referring to Internal Administration would submit the following:

1. *Appointments.* We recommend that the action of the President in making appointments for the following committees, Ministerial Pension Fund, Two Million Dollar Fund, German Home Mission Board, Committee on German Conference, Inner Mission Work, and the appointment of the Arbitration Committee be ratified.

2. *Calling of Conferences.* We recommend in regard to the suggestion of the President for the calling of conferences of special interests, that, as far as feasible, conferences of any interests of the Council for the discussion and mutual understanding of complicated details and the putting of the same in a simple shape and presenting them on the floor of Council in a clearly understood form, be authorized, and that committees for the calling of such conferences be appointed by the President as circumstances may require.

3. *Inner Mission Reports.* We recommend the adoption of the suggestion of the President, that all Inner Mission reports be sent to the Inner Mission Committee, who shall summarize the same and forward them to the Secretary of the General Council for insertion in the printed documents for the General Council.

4. *Council and Synods.* We recommend, that the suggestion to give an early place in the business of Synods to the reports of the General Council delegation, be adopted.

5. *Dr. John Nicum Legacy.* We recommend that the President's action in regard to the legacy of Dr. John Nicum be ratified.

6. *Transfer of Foreign Mission Property.* Regarding the President's suggestion of the transfer of the Foreign Mission property to the Foreign Mission Board we recommend, that it be adopted. We, however, believe, that it would be more consistent, if the Boards of the General Council be incorporated by the Trustees of the General Council.

7. *General Council Day.* Regarding the General Council day, we recommend, that the Secretary call the attention of the respective Synodi-

cal officers to this resolution and request that it be made a special order of business.

8. *Abstract of Minutes.* We recommend that the preparation of an abstract of the proceedings of the General Council in English, Swedish, and German for distribution in our congregations, be continued.

M. E. Haberland, *Chairman,*
Gustave A. Benze, *Secretary.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Weiskotten,

Resolved, That item 6 be referred to the Trustees of the General Council.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Recording Secretaries presented to the Council a pamphlet of 184 pages, comprising "Documents for the Thirty-third Convention of the General Council," being an almost complete collection of the Reports of Boards and Standing Committees.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

I. Unfinished Business of 1909.

1.—CHURCH BOOK.

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2.—EDUCATION.

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4.—FINANCIAL.

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7.—INNER MISSIONS.

P. 25. Lutheran Hospices.
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P. 236. Requests to Colleges, Theological Seminaries, Deaconess Motherhouses.
P. 236. Plans for training Deacons.
P. 236. Officers of Committee to furnish information.
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8. PUBLICATION MATTERS.

P. 26. Literature for 1917 Jubilee.
P. 26. Literature for Muhlenberg Bicentennial.
P. 26. Dr. Ochsenford's History of the General Council.
P. 29. Statistical Year Book.
P. 52. Supplementary Book in Graded Sunday-school Series.
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9.—MISCELLANEOUS.

P. 28. New Rule on Nomination of Official Visitors.
P. 29. Two hours' time for each Board Report.
P. 29. Undigested details in Reports.
P. 51. Uniform Statistical Tables.
P. 52. Jewish Mission Committee.
Pp. 54, 198. Practical Functions of the General Council.

P. 198. Laymen recommend Reorganization of General Council.
P. 199. Laymen's Conference.
P. 200. General Council Day and Offerings.
P. 200. Changes of Charter.
P. 240. Seven Day Program for 1911.
P. 254. "The Digest," or "The General Council Book".

II. Hours of Meeting.

9:00 to 12:00 a. m.
2:00 to 5:00 p. m.

III. Official Reporters.

Rev. William L. Hunton, Ph.D.
Rev. Earnest A. Trabert.
Rev. P. George Sieger.
Rev. H. Branson Richards.

IV. Order of Business.

Thursday Morning, September 14.

The Confessional Service, 10:00 o'clock. Trinity Chapel—Lecture-room.
The Chief Service, 10:30 o'clock. Trinity Church.

Thursday Afternoon, September 14.

1:30 o'clock:—Completion of Synodical Delegations and framing of Credentials for presentation to the President.—Trinity Chapel.
2:00 o'clock:—Opening of the General Council with the Order in the Church Book, p. 439: Hymn 247.—Trinity Church.
Presentation of Credentials.
Application of New Synods.
Committee to Examine Application of New Synods.
Roll Call.
President's Report.
Appointment of Committees on President's Report.
Report of Executive Committee.
Reception of New Synods.
Election of Officers.
Reception of Reports from the Synods, or any other Documents intended for the General Council.
Reception of Abstracts of Minutes.
Giving Official Visitors or Representatives from Synods the Privilege of Debate.
Giving Notice of Important Business to be brought before the General Council for its Action.
Appointment of Committees on Documents and Papers presented.
Report of Treasurer and Auditing Committee.
Report of Trustees of the General Council and their Treasurer.

Report of Finance Committee.
Report of Nominating Committee.
Report of Foreign Mission Board: Election of Members of the Board.
Prayer.

Thursday Evening, September 14.

The Foreign Mission Service, 8:00 o'clock.

Friday Morning, September 15.

9:00 o'clock: Matins:—The Versicle; The Invitatory; Hymn 269; Psalm 48, p. 189; Scripture—Matt. 13:1-9.; The Canticle; The Prayers.
9:20:—Report of English Home Mission Board; Election of Members of the Board.
Report of The Lutheran Church Extension Society.
11:15:—Report of Porto Rico Mission Board; Election of Members of the Board.
Election of Members of Boards.
Prayer.

Friday Afternoon, September 15.

2:00 o'clock:—Hymn 7; Prayer.
Report of Committee on President's Report.
2:30:—Report of Board of Slovac Missions; Election of Members of the Board.
3:15:—Report of Board of Swedish Missions; Election of Members of the Board.
3:45:—Report of the Board of Publication; Election of Members of the Board.
4:15:—Report of Committee on Laymen's Conference.
Report of Jubilee Fund Committee.
Report of Pension Fund Committee.
Election of Members of Boards.
Prayer.

Friday Evening, September 15.

The Home Mission Service, 8:00 o'clock.

Saturday Morning, September 16.

9:00 o'clock:—Hymn 11; Psalm 97, p. 218; The Prayers.
9:10:—Report of Board of German Home Missions; Election of Members of the Board.
Appointment of Committee to Nominate Official Visitors.
9:45:—Report of Committee on German Conference.
10:15:—Report of Kropp Commission.
10:45:—Report of Committee on Budget.
11:00:—Report of Commission on Arbitration.

11:45:—Five Minutes Intermission.
11:50:—Report of Official Visitors to Other Bodies; Election of Official Visitors.
12:15:—Report of Inner Mission Committee (Including Addresses of Representatives of the Institutions).
12:45:—New Business.
Prayer.

Saturday Afternoon, September 16.

2:30 o'clock:—Excursion.

Saturday Evening, September 16.

8:00 o'clock:—Social Reception.

Sunday Morning, September 17.

9:45 o'clock:—The Sunday school Service—Trinity Chapel
11:00 o'clock:—The Chief Service—Trinity Church.

Sunday Afternoon, September 17.

3:00 o'clock:—Convocation of Lancaster Lutherans.

Sunday Evening, September 17.

7:30 o'clock:—The Muhlenberg Anniversary—Trinity Church.

Monday Morning, September 18.

9:00 o'clock:—Hymn 625; Psalm 100, p. 219; The Prayers.
9:10:—Report of Board of Education; Election of Members of the Board.
9:40:—Report of Committee on Sunday school Work.
10:00:—Report of Committee to Examine Matters in Minutes of Synods Referring to General Council.
10:30:—Report of Committee on International Conference.
10:45:—Report of Committee on Norelius Resolution.
11:15:—Unfinished Reports of General Council Boards.
Other Unfinished Business.
Prayer.

Monday Afternoon, September, 18.

2:00 o'clock:—Hymn 301; Prayer.
2:10:—Report of Church Book Committee.
2:45:—Discussion of matters referred to the General Council by District Synods.
3:15:—Reception of Official Visitors from other Bodies.
4:00:—Report of Committee on Uniform Statistical Blanks for compiling the statistics of the Synods and the General Council.
Report of Committee on Foreign Mission Rules.
Prayer.

Monday Evening, September 18.

7:30 o'clock:—The Education Service.

Tuesday Morning, September 19.

9:00 o'clock:—Hymn 304; Psalm 72, p. 202; The Prayers.
9:10:—Unfinished Business.
Report of Committees appointed at this meeting.
Report of Committee on Statistics.
Report of Archivarius.
New Business.
Unfinished Business.
Prayer.

Tuesday Afternoon, September 19.

2:00 o'clock:—Hymn 268; Prayer.
2:10:—Unfinished Business.
Report of Committee on Lutheran Church Music.
Report of Committee on Jewish Missions.
Report of Committee on Number of Minutes.
Report of Committee on Transportation.
New Business.
Prayer.

Tuesday Evening, September 19.

7:30 o'clock:—Hymn 627; Canticle 8, p. 261; The Prayers.
7:45:—Unfinished Business.
New Business.
Appointment of Standing Committees.
Selection of Place for Next Meeting.
The Closing Service, p. 441; Hymn 274.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fry, it was

Resolved, That we adopt the Order of Business, the hours of meeting and the list of reporters; that the several Items of Unfinished Business be referred to the Chairmen of the Boards and Committees concerned, to be attended to in connection with their reports; and that what remains be acted upon at the close of Monday morning's session.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The President appointed as tellers: For President, the Revs. E. F. Bachmann, Ph.D., F. C. Oberly, and Mr. F. C. Hassold; for the other Officers, the Revs. W. M. Rehrig, Ph.D., G. F. Gehr, and A. B. Markley, Ph.D.

Excepting one officer, now a Vice-president, and one deceased, the former incumbents were re-elected. The ballot for Presi-

dent was announced on Thursday afternoon, for the other Officers on Friday morning.

PRESIDENT.

Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., Lebanon, Pa.

RECORDING SECRETARIES.

English—Rev. William K. Frick, D.D., Milwaukee, Wis.

German—Rev. Gottlieb C. Berkemeier. D.D., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Swedish—Rev. Laurentius G. Abrahamson, D.D., K.N.O., Rock Island, Ill.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

English—Rev. Frederick A. Kaehler, D.D., Buffalo, N. Y.

German—Rev. Prof. Henry Offermann, D.D., Mt. Airy, Philadelphia.

Swedish—Rev. Alfred Appell, Pittsburgh, Pa.

TREASURER.

Hon. Charles A. Smith, Minneapolis, Minn.

The Presidents of the several Synods, excepting the Synod from which the President is chosen, are ex-officio the Vice-presidents of the General Council. (See the Directory for names.)

Pending the announcement of the results of the balloting the regular order of business was taken up.

OFFICIAL VISITORS ANNOUNCED.

The presence of the Rev. Dr. Manhart, representing the General Synod, and the Rev. Dr. Kinard, representing the United Synod of the South, having been announced, and their credentials having been handed to the President, it was on motion

Resolved, That the customary privileges of the floor be accorded to these brethren.

The Secretaries presented the following abstracts of the transactions of the various Synods (in print, with two exceptions) as prepared by their respective Presidents. On motion it was

Resolved, That the Abstracts be received, spread upon the minutes, and referred with the printed minutes of the Synods to the Committee on the Minutes of Synods.

Committee: The Revs. G. A. Benze, D.D., H. A. Weller.

ABSTRACTS OF MINUTES OF DISTRICT SYNODS.

I. Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States.

The Ministerium of Pennsylvania has met in two regular conventions and one special convention, since the last meeting of the General Council.

The annual report for the year ending May, 1911, shows that this Synod embraces 395 ministers, 335 parishes, 562 congregations, with 152,444 confirmed members, of whom 118,614 partook of the Holy Supper. There were 450 baptisms of adults, and 6,099 persons were confirmed. In 576 Sunday-schools are 10,522 officers and teachers and 98,644 scholars. Thirty-two parochial schools report 2,006 scholars. Church property is valued at $7,897,047, on which are debts of $989,562. The congregations expended on their own maintenance $836,332. The total contribution to beneficence was $123,786.34. This was for 1910-1911. In the biennium the total for beneficence was $246,179.68; showing that, while, during the year, the offerings for Foreign Missions increased, and liberal assistance was given to the Board of English Missions to cover the debt it had incurred, the total of contributions to beneficence did not increase.

The statistics show activity but not progress.

The improvement of its schools has been the chief object of interest in this Synod for the past two years. To the Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Rev. Dr. H. A. Offermann, has been added as the New York Ministerium's Professor of the New Testament; and at the beginning of this scholastic year the President of the General Council, Rev. Luther D. Reed, and the writer of this report will be added to the Faculty, as professors of the Confession and Defense of the Faith, of Liturgics and Church Music, and of Ethics and the Theory and Practice of Missions, respectively. There is a prospect of much larger cooperation on the part of the Synod of New York and New England; an endeavor to secure a sufficient endowment for the Krauth Memorial Library is in progress; a Post-graduate course is under consideration; and further improvements, involving a total cost of $200,000.

The Ministerium not only undertook the support of an additional professor in the Seminary, but increased its annual appropriation to Muhlenberg College at Allentown; and authorized the College to secure $300,000 for the erection of a building for its preparatory school, and for the completion of the endowment.

It is gratifying to be able to report that the management of the Mary J. Drexel Motherhouse of Deaconesses has acquired and fitted up an ample building adjacent to its Home, and removed to it the Lankenau School for Girls.

The minutes of the Synod herewith submitted will convey information concerning the Works of Mercy within our bounds.

EDWARD T. HORN, *President.*

II. The Ministerium of New York.

The New York Ministerium met June 2-6, 1910, in the First German

Lutheran, St. Peter's Church, New York City, and June 22-26, 1911, in St. John's Church, Buffalo, N. Y., Rev. J. A. W. Kirsch, pastor.

In 1910 Mr. E. Helwig was elected treasurer of the Ministerium, and in 1911 Rev. C. G. Fischer was elected president.

The Synod numbers 146 pastors and 123 congregations, with 54,000 communicants. The value of the church property of the Synod is $4,373,750, and the indebtedness $652,178. The treasurer's report shows receipts for beneficent purposes to be $44,732.70.

The nomination of Rev. Dr. H. Offermann, of Philadelphia, as the New York Professor was unanimously ratified by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, at its adjourned meeting, January 5, 1910. He was installed into his office October 31, 1910, by Rev. T. E. Schmauk, D.D., president of the Board of Directors of the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia. The installation took place in St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., Dr. H. W. Hoffmann, pastor.

Wagner College, the institution of the New York Ministerium, has now in its Jubilee Fund $13,030.86. At the meeting of the Synod in 1911, a committee was appointed to revise, in conjunction with the Faculty, the course of study in the institution, so as to put it on a broader basis, and extend its usefulness as an American college.

At the two meetings of the Synod, 1910 and 1911, the proposed new Constitution of the Synod was thoroughly discussed. It will be ready for adoption in the year 1912.

C. G. FISCHER, *President.*

III. The Pittsburgh Synod.

This Synod embraces seven Conferences—six English and one German. The 68th Annual Convention was held in Luther Memorial Church, Erie, Penna., May 25-31, 1910.

A Special Convention was held in Christ Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., June 14, 1911, following which the Sixty-ninth Annual Convention was held in the same Church, June 15-20, 1911.

In the 1910 Convention there were reported:—148 Pastors, 129 Parishes, 202 Congregations, 31,940 Communicants, 1,088 Catechumens, 20,793 Sunday-School Scholars. There has been an encouraging increase in each of these departments, as shown by the latest Parochial Reports now being tabulated.

The Treasurer's Report for the 1910 Convention shows total receipts of $47,342.70, disbursed to Thiel College, Beneficiary Education, Church Extension, Home, Foreign, Inner, Porto Rico and Slav Missions and to various benevolences on the home field and abroad. The receipts for the year last past totaled $52,207.45. Although Synod was in debt to the amount of $15,000 at this time, her appropriations for the year exceeded the apportionments by $5,000. In order to avoid increasing the indebtedness a Relief Fund was created early in the year; the same now amounts to $5,494.48 and the effort is to be continued until the whole indebtedness is removed.

The contributions by our Congregations for the various departments

of our Synodical work have not increased as rapidly as the work has developed, hence there has come upon us the necessity of revising our Financial System, by which revision it is believed that we shall secure ample funds for a large extension of every department of the work, so that we may give something like adequate care to our own field and do our full share of the general work. Our new System is herewith submitted, believing, as we do, that the same will be of interest and is worthy of your serious attention. The consideration of this Report, prepared by a Committee, was the business of the Special Convention held June 14, 1911, and occupied the attention of Synod an entire day.

This body is deeply interested in the Plan of Unification of the English Home Mission work, and in its last two sessions has given much time to the discussion of the principles involved, and of the plan, as seen in operation. In 1910 Synod voted to defer action for one year, and instructed its Executive Committee to review the whole matter, and re-state the case, with recommendations, to Synod, at the next Convention. The same was done, the recommendations being unfavorable to the Plan; the report was tabled but will have further consideration at our Convention in 1912.

In the past biennium our Synod has given loyal support to Thiel College, having contributed $5,000 to the Maintenance Fund, and a Special Committee having secured above $70,000 toward the erection of a new building, the contract for which is about to be let. Likewise, the benevolent institutions on this territory, viz., The Old People's Home, the Orphans' Home, the Home for Epileptics and the Passavant Hospital have received generous support.

The following "Theses on Rationalism and Christianity" have been before us for discussion:

1. There is abroad in the churches of today a growing spirit of rationalism embodied in destructive criticism.

2. This rationalistic spirit seeks to divest Christianity of all supernatural elements.

3. Rationalism holds Christianity to be a mere human evolution, and not a divine revelation.

4. It robs our holy religion of all spiritual life and peace, and leaves us nothing but a cold, comfortless morality.

5. We thank God that our beloved Church has almost wholly escaped this blight of naturalism and negative criticism.

6. But no person or institution is entirely immune to the spirit of the age and the influence of environment.

7. Hence there is need of special effort to save our Church from the evil tendency.

a. By warning our pastors and people against it.

b. By emphasizing the fact that there is no middle ground between the old Gospel and the new theology, and that we dare not yield one iota of divine truth.

c. By urging the importance of spirituality and heart-felt piety, not only as essential to true religion, but also as a safeguard against the inroads of this rationalistic spirit.

d. By a faithful and devout use of the means of grace, through which alone spiritual life and strength are implanted and developed in the soul.

8. Though conditions are such as to call for earnest efforts to meet them, yet our faith and courage remain unshaken. The promises of Christ stand firm and immovable. The gates of hell shall not prevail against His Church. The present form of opposition will in time give way to some other folly as in the past ages.

The Fathers of the Synod, in formulating the Synodical Constitution, provided for a long-term Presidency, but not until the Convention of 1911 was definite action toward that end taken. It was heartily agreed, that for the purposes of efficient oversight and proper executive administration, the President of Synod must be free to devote his entire time to the work of the office, must be generously supported, and must not be subject to removal from year to year, and that at our next Convention a President be elected for a term of five years at an annual salary of $2,500.00, and that he be eligible for re-election. To complete further the details of this plan and to inaugurate the same, Synod will meet in special session in Grace Church, Youngstown, Ohio, on Wednesday after Trinity Sunday, 1912. Immediately following this special session, the Seventieth Annual Convention will be held in the same place.

Among the important items of interest are the following:—

The Synod approved a proposition, made by the President, looking to an exchange of fraternal delegates, either in person or by letter, with all the other Synods of the General Council.

In the biennium twenty-two ministers were received into this body, four by ordination and eighteen by letter from other Synods of the General Council. Ten students preparing for the Ministry have been aided.

Renewed attention was given to our Synodical Ministerial Relief Association, whose object is to assist its members in time of sickness or disability. This Society has been eminently successful from the beginning, and has been of blessed benefit, especially to some of the aged brethren who are members of the same.

The laymen of our Synod have recently manifested an unusual degree of interest in the affairs of the Church in their respective parishes and in the field at large. There is a formal organization among the laymen, whose object is, as formally expressed at its organization, "to advance the interests of the Church through the existing agencies of the Church."

Synod renewed its interest in the Two Million Dollar Fund, proposed as a feature of the observance of the quadri-centennial of our Church, in 1917.

The Synod, at the request of the Board of Trustees of Thiel College, increased the number of the members of said Board to twenty-five, the full quota allowed by the Charter of the College.

GEORGE J. GONGAWARE, *President.*

IV. District Synod of Ohio.

At the close of its last meeting, held at Loyal Oak, Ohio, June 14-19, 1911, the Synod sang:

"When all Thy mercies, O my God,
My rising soul surveys,
Transported with the view, I'm lost
In wonder, love and praise."

The Lord, certainly, has been with this body of loyal Lutherans, and has granted it, during the past biennium, the enjoyment of great blessings. There has been an awakening in its various activities that commands attention and speaks well for the future. The missionary spirit is coming to the front, and efforts are everywhere put forth to harness all the forces for the great work of the Master. The efforts are not in vain; there has been a most gratifying response, and this is only the beginning of greater things. As the light shines into the minds and hearts of the people, they cannot refrain from asking: "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" The Lord gives the answer, and there is glory to His Name.

The more Synod explores its own territory, the more it is surprised at the vastness of the field that demands its attention, and the more it regrets that in its early history it could not be credited with greater success and results. Indeed, the State of Ohio has for many years been the soil of Christian activity, and there is on record many a notable Christian victory. About all the religious denominations are active on this territory, and the same is true in regard to the various branches of the Lutheran Church. Still there is much, very much, left to win for the Kingdom. Ohio is far from being all Christian, far from having all its citizens enrolled as members of Christ's fold, far from showing that Lutheran harvest, and English Lutheran harvest, that should stand in its favor, far from the satisfaction and praise that more of its people belong to the Church of Christ than do not. About one hundred and ninety-four of Ohio's incorporated municipalities have Lutheran congregations, leaving five hundred and eighty-five without a Lutheran church. Think of traveling over this great commonwealth, passing through five hundred and eighty-five incorporated places without a Lutheran church.

The working-forces of our Synod have never been equal to the work to be done. Not a few of its young men, dependent upon its support and encouragement during their preparation for the office of the holy ministry, have chosen to labor beyond its borders.

Of the six candidates ordained at the meeting held at Miamisburg, Ohio, in the year 1910, only one remains to labor in Ohio. At the last meeting but one was ordained, and he hastened away to take up work in the great Northwest. The loud call is for more men and more means; and it is hoped that in the coming to the front of the missionary spirit the call will be speedily and properly answered.

Important items that came to the attention of Synod at its meeting in Miamisburg, are the following:

(a) Proposed plan for a Ministerial Pension Fund.

(b) Propositions on the Inner Mission.

(c) Theses on the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

There was much unfinished business at this meeting, which was taken up at the last meeting at Loyal Oak, and either completed or further developed.

At Loyal Oak the following statistics were reported for the past year, from which can easily be gathered the statistics for the year previous:

Congregations	86
Baptized members	20,965
Confirmed members	14,865
Communed	10,883
Accessions	1,026
Losses	571
Net Gain	455
Sunday School Enrollment	10,910
Increase in Sunday School Enrollment	489
Number of Societies	118

The financial statement shows the following:

Church Property	$670,400 00
Parsonage Property	72,200 00
Total Local Expenditures	98,684 31
Increase	14,341 67
Total Benevolences	13,852 65
Increase	459 62

Items of interest taken from the last Minutes:

1. In the report of a committee on Dr. Wagenhals' tract entitled "A Menace to our Free School System," our people are strongly warned against the rationalistic and irreligious spirit prevailing in some state institutions.

2. A committee was appointed to devise an apportionment plan to be ready for discussion at the spring Conferences.

3. The proposals of Thiel College, Weidner Institute, and Wittenberg College were deferred for action until after the next meeting of the General Council.

4. A history of Synod, of which Dr. G. W. Mechling is the author, was published by Synod. The sale is in charge of the Historical Committee, Dr. F. W. E. Peschau, chairman.

5. Synod approved of an apportionment of $5,000 by the General Council H. M. Board, instead of $7,000.

6. A canvass is to be arranged for southern Ohio by the Mission Board of Synod, and, if found sufficiently encouraging, a missionary is to be placed in that field.

7. The "every member" canvass for missions is recommended to congregations.

8. One offering each month in the Sunday-schools, to be devoted to benevolent purposes, is recommended.

9. Synod recommended that the Synodical Women's Societies participate in the confederation of Women's Societies of the General Council.

10. The apportionment to congregations was made in view of all the obligations assumed.

11. Nine ministers were dismissed during the year to other synods, and only four were received from other synods.

12. At present Synod assists two students in the Seminary and two in college.

13. A very interesting service was held by which the fiftieth anniversary of the ordination of Rev. J Wesner was appropriately celebrated.

The next, the fifty-sixth, convention will be held in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Findlay, Ohio, beginning Thursday after Trinity Sunday, 1912.

E. L. T. Engers, *President.*

V. Augustana Synod.

The Augustana Synod has held two regular meetings during the biennium just past. In 1910 Synod convened at Augustana College, Rock Island, Ill., and in 1911 at Duluth, Minn.

At its meeting last year the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the Synod and Augustana College was celebrated. Aside from rejoicing over the great things the Lord had wrought in and by the Synod during the period of its existence, comparatively little business was transacted. A special cause for joy at this meeting was the report received that the subscriptions to the Jubilee Fund had reached the sum of $275,000. Also that the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society had succeeded in raising for the liquidation of the debt of the Synodical Home Mission Board, $12,000, which was handed over in cash to the President of the Synod. Thousands of our people from near and from far attended this meeting. Joy and gladness reigned supreme. Distinguished visitors from all parts of our own country and from abroad, chief among whom were the Right Rev. Bishop K. H. G. von Scheele and the Rev. Dr. T. E. Schmauk, brought congratulations and best wishes.

The meeting of the present year had another character. Work and progress were evidently the watchwords of this convention. Each year, it appears, does the Synod secure a firmer grip on its mission and educational work. There is not the slightest thought of slackening speed either. The Synodical Mission Board was at this meeting directed to investigate as to the possibilities of beginning Church work among the Swedes of Australia. Inside of a few weeks the Synod will have one of its ministers traveling up and down Australia hunting for Swedes and opportuni-

ties for successful Church work. The educational work is constantly developing. The number of teachers and students is ever increasing. The sum of $165,000 has been received on the Jubilee Fund subscription. How properly to provide for the sick, the aged, and the disabled ministers and their dependent families, has of late been considered more earnestly than at any previous time. At this meeting an apportionment of one cent per communicant member was made for the benefit of the Pension Fund, said apportionment to be paid at the death of a member of the Fund.

I quote from the statistical tables as follows:

Conferences, 9; mission districts, 3; Ministers ordained during the biennium, 42; died, 22; withdrawn, 8; expelled, 1; suspended, 1. Net gain for the biennium, 10. Present number of ministers, 628. Congregations, 1,145; churches, 1,021; parsonages, 501. Accessions: Infant baptisms, 23,433; adult baptisms, 208; confirmation, 15,685; by letter and confession of faith, 18,637. Total, 57,963. Losses: deaths, 3,704; removals, 10,868; dropped, 11,654. Total, 26,226. Present communicant membership, 172,-415; parishioners, 262,168. Teachers in parochial schools, 575; scholars in the same 18,657. Teachers in Sunday-schools, 9,315; scholars in the same, 73,175.

Contributions to benevolence:

Home Missions	$ 158,573 16	
Foreign Missions	55,844 72	
Immigrant Missions	6,371 65	
Church Extension	1,001 07	
Orphans' Homes	61,552 65	
Hospital and Deaconess Work	15,748 12	
Homes for Aged	1,101 40	
Pension Fund	4,948 27	
Educational purposes	199,877 40	
Sundry purposes	71,473 31	
		$576,491 75

The property valuation is as follows:

Church buildings and parsonages	$9,313,734 00	
Educational institutions	1,375,000 00	
Benevolent institutions	1,100,000 00	
Augustana Book Concern	200,000 00	
		$11,988,734 00

Money expended during the biennium for the support of the local work of the churches, $3,108,244.97.

At the meeting in Duluth, last June, officers for the next two years were elected as follows: President, Rev. L. A. Johnston, D.D., St. Paul, Minn.; Vice President, Rev. G. A. Brandelle, D.D., Denver, Colo.; Secretary, Rev. J. G. Dahlberg, Winnipeg, Man.; Treasurer, Rev. C. J. Bengston, Knoxville, Ill. The next meeting will be held in the Bethel Church, Rev. Dr. A. P. Fors, Chicago, Ill., in the month of June next.

G. A. Brandelle, *Vice President.*

VI. The Canada Synod.

Two regular meetings of the Canada Synod have been held during the past biennium; the 49th in St. Peter's Church, Pearl Lake, Ont., that church at the same time celebrating its 50th anniversary; and the 50th, the Jubilee meeting, in Trinity Church, Toronto, Ont. Special Jubilee services were conducted, commemorating the founding of the Synod during a meeting of the Canada conference of the Pittsburgh Synod, July 18-22, 1861, in Zion's Lutheran Church, Vaughan Township, York County, Canada West, (now Ontario). The first officers of the Canada Synod were: Rev. C. F. W. Rechenberg, President, Rev. L. H. Gerndt, Secretary, and Mr. H. Van der Smissen, Treasurer.

The Jubilee year of the Synod was marked by a forward movement in many respects. A Lutheran Book Room was opened at Berlin, Ont., and is doing a successful business under the managership of an ex-pastor of the Synod: a "Jubiläums Büchlein," containing a short history of the Lutheran Church in Canada, all the parishes of the Synod and the pictures of the pastors, churches and parsonages, was published; several large, influential congregations were added to the constituency of the Synod; an orphans' and widows' fund was founded, and, most important of all, the plans for the establishment of a theological seminary in connection with the English Synod of Central Canada have so far matured, that practical work can be started in the near future.

The present state of the Synod is shown by the following statistics: Ministers 41, congregations 84; communicant members 14,515; voting members 5,144; souls 24,600; parochial (Saturday) schools 37; teachers 23; scholars 1,029; Sunday-schools 68; teachers, 644; scholars 4,729; baptisms 760; confirmations 661; deaths 320; converts 26; members of young people's societies 736.

During the biennium the Canada Synod has raised for Home Missions $7,740; for Foreign Missions $2,670; for orphans $650; for Invalid Ministers' Fund $680; for different benevolent (mostly Inner Mission and educational) purposes $4,800; for congregational purposes about $200,000. The Invalid Ministers' Fund has passed the $10,000 mark.

The Synod at present supports 6 mission fields with 23 congregations or preaching stations, 8 of which are situated in New Ontario, and are served by a traveling missionary. The Synod has faithfully met its obligations towards the support of the Kropp Seminary.

The officers of the Synod are: President Rev. E. Hoffmann, D.D., Berlin, Ont.; Vice President Rev. C. C. J. Maass, Zurich, Ont.; Secretary, Rev. H. Henkel, Pearl Lake, Ont,; Treasurer Rev. H. Twietmeyer, Hanover, Ont. The next meeting, will D. V. be held in Trinity Lutheran Church, New Hamburg, Ont., the Rev. M. Voelker, pastor loci, beginning Thursday after Pentecost 1912.

E. Hoffmann, *President.*

VII. The Chicago Synod.

Two conventions of the Chicago Synod have been held since the last meeting of the General Council. The Fortieth Annual Convention was

held in Nappanee, Ind., May 25-29, 1910, and the Forty-first Convention was held in Decatur, Ill., June 14-18, 1911.

The following statistics are gathered from the minutes: Ministers, 40; congregations, 68; communicants, 7,730; property value, $638,500; total beneficence for two years, $23,000; Sunday-schools, 58; scholars, 6,941.

During the biennium fourteen ministers have been received, one has been removed by death, and nine have been dismissed to other Synods.

The mission spirit is very much in evidence in this body. Not only have they heartily entered into the unification plan, but they have raised the full amount of money asked for by the General Council Home Mission Board, for the support of the Home Mission work. Foreign Mission work is also receiving more attention and the appropriations are constantly increasing. The women of the Synod have organized a very active and efficient Synodical Missionary Society, which meets annually. They have elected delegates to the meeting called for the formation of a General Council organization.

The educational spirit is also strong. The Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary, which has proved itself such an important factor in the development of the Chicago Synod, has relocated in Maywood, Ill., a suburb on the west side of Chicago. It now has a plant and equipment of which the Lutheran Church may well feel proud. It is modern in every particular. The only thing to cause regret is that the student body is not larger. The enrollment during the past year was about thirty-five and a class of nine was graduated.

Weidner Institute, formerly Colburn Academy, is centrally located at Mulberry, Indiana. This institution, named after that great upbuilder and defender of Lutheranism, Dr. R. F. Weidner, is in a peculiar sense an institution of this Synod. A most successful debt-raising campaign has been completed, a collegiate and a music department have been added, and the school gives promise of becoming an agent for much good to the Church.

Worthy of mention also is the Synodical Laymen's Movement. This movement was launched at the Nappanee Convention in 1910. A most enthusiastic meeting was held in connection with the Decatur convention, and plans were perfected for a thorough organization to be completed and put into operation during the coming year, which is destined to reach and enlist every layman of Synod. We expect much from this movement.

The officers of Synod are: President, the Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Mulberry, Ind.; Secretary, the Rev. Wm. J. Seiberling, Mulberry, Ind.; Treasurer, the Rev. Luther J. Smith, Goshen, Ind.

The next convention will be held in St. James' Church, Claremont, Ill., June 4-9, 1912. A. H. Arbaugh, *President.*

VIII. The English Synod of the Northwest.

During the past biennium the Synod held two conventions; one in the First Church, Cannon Falls, Minn., the Rev. Willis Beck, pastor, June 1-6, 1910, and the other in St. Mark's Church, Fargo, N. D., the Rev. W.

S. Ulrich, pastor, June 21-25, 1911. The following statistics are gathered from the Minutes of the Twenty-first Convention: Pastors, 31; congregations, 37; confirmed members, 8,043; baptized members, 13,956; Sunday-schools, 36; scholars, 6,798; value of church property, $447,670; contributions for current expenses, $46,746; for benevolence, $7,642.75.

At the twentieth convention, a synodical Jubilee Committee was appointed to act in conjunction with the committee of the General Council; favorable action was taken with reference to the establishment of General Council Ministers' Pension Fund; the lay delegates were given the privilege of forming a synodical organization.

At the twenty-first convention, St. Mark's Church, Fargo, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its founding. The Board of the Ministers and Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund reported $4,065.46 in the treasury. The delegates to the General Council were instructed to urge the early completion of the proposed new Church Book with common musical settings for the service and hymns; the inclusion of a few good translations of standard Scandinavian hymns; the selection of German and Scandinavian tunes assigned to the hymns translated from those languages, and as far as possible the very tunes in use in the mother tongue; and the assignment of American and Anglican tunes to standard English hymns which long usage has specifically attached to the same. Action was also taken protesting against the General Synod's beginning mission work upon our territory.

During the biennium there has been a larger interest manifested by the congregations in mission work, both home and foreign. There has been a general increase in the salaries of the pastors, and an effort is being made either for the purchase or erection of parsonages.

The officers of Synod are: Rev. Albert J. Reichert, Red Wing, Minn., President; Rev. W. P. Christy, LaCrosse, Wis., Secretary; and Mr. J. K. Jensen, Janesville, Wis., Treasurer. The next convention of Synod will be held in the First Church, Platteville, Wis.

ALBERT J. REICHERT, *President.*

IX. The Manitoba Synod.

The tenth convention of the Synod of Manitoba and other Provinces was held in Trinity Church, Winnipeg, Man., Rev. M. Ruccius, pastor, July 13-17, 1911.

The present state of the Synod is shown by the following statistics: Ministers, 29; congregations, 42; souls, 7,873; communicant members, 3,998; voting members, 1,316; parochial (Saturday) schools, 27; teachers, pastors; scholars, 715; Sunday-schools, 26; teachers, 73; scholars, 932; baptisms, 458; confirmations, 216; deaths, 136.

During the past year the Synod has raised for Home Missions, $470.15; for Foreign Missions, $446.35; for the Synodical Treasury, $479.15; for different benevolent purposes, $1,107.05.

The estimated value of church property is $109,450. Four new churches were dedicated.

At the last meeting of the Synod considerable attention was devoted to the establishment of a college on our own territory, to meet the ever increasing demand for more ministers for our large Synodical field. A committee was appointed to take the necessary action regarding the establishment of such an institution.

This committee met at Strathcona, Alta., on Aug. 16, 1911. It was resolved to begin already this fall with the establishment of a "Proseminar" at Strathcona, Alta., provided the General Council will give this institution the necessary financial support.

The officers of Synod are: Rev. J. Goos, Spruce Grove, Alta., President; Rev. H. Becker, Emerson, Man., Secretary; P. M. Bredt, Esq., Regina, Sask., Treasurer.

The next convention will be held, D. V., in St. John's Church, Edmonton, Alta., in July, 1912.

JUERGENS GOOS, *President.*

X. The Pacific Synod.

During the past biennium, the Synod has held two conventions, the Tenth, June 1-5, 1910, in St. James' Church, Portland, Oregon, the Rev. Joseph A. Leas, pastor, and the Eleventh, June 21-25, 1911, in Holy Trinity Church, Seattle, Washington.

During the biennium the Synod has gained considerable strength in the development of the various parishes, and by the addition of four congregations, namely: Grace Church, Victoria, B. C.; Emanuel, Centralia, Wash., and two German congregations, formerly connected with the Iowa Synod, at Bellingham, Wash. The parochial report shows a communicant membership of 1,725; congregations, 20; pastors, 17; Sunday-school pupils, 1,025; property valuation, $159,000.

In the last year the Synod, through a committee appointed at its convention in Portland, 1910, has opened a school in the above named city, to prepare young men for the ministry. The Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, B.D., was called from San Bernardino, Cal., Jan. 1, 1911, to act as President of the School. Four resident and one non-resident students were in attendance from October 15, 1910, to May 1, 1911. Synod decided to continue the work in rented quarters for the coming scholastic year. The Seminary Committee, having investigated a number of suitable locations for a Seminary site, were finally offered a five-acre tract by the Portland Chamber of Commerce. The site is located just outside the city limits of Portland, near the Rose City Park addition. The offer was accepted by Synod.

The Women's Synodical Missionary Society has not been active, but, at its last meeting during the Convention of Synod in Seattle, plans were made for more aggressive work,

The Rev. C. F. W. Stoever, of Tacoma, Wash., is the President of the English Conference, the Rev. Theophil Schoenberg, Secretary and Treasurer. The Rev. C. F. Boehner, of Camas, Wash., is the President of the German Conference, and the Rev. Emil Meyer, of San Jose, Cal., Secretary.

The last Convention of Synod was of historic interest, as it was the tenth anniversary of its organization. In 1901, in St. James' Church, Port-

land, the organization was effected by 10 ministers and lay representatives of the congregations. But three of the ministers of that date, are actively connected with the Synod at present, namely, the Revs. Leas, Meyer, and Holl.

The officers elected at the last convention are, the Rev. Merrell E. Boulton, The Dalles, Ore., President; the Rev. Emil Meyer, San Jose, Cal., Secretary; the Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, Portland, Statistical Secretary; and Mr. Carl F. Wolf, Tacoma, Treasurer.

MERRELL E. BOULTON, *President.*

XI. Synod of New York and New England.

The latest convention was held in Christ Church, Brooklyn, May 30 to June 1, 1911. The officers elected were, Rev. Frederick A. Kaehler, D.D., President; Rev. C. A. Ritchie, Secretary; Mr. Fred. Walter, Treasurer. The latest annual report at the end of nine years shows the following statistics: Pastors, 53; congregations, 55; confirmed members, 17,782, of whom 13,108 communed; infant baptisms, 892; adult, 138; confirmations, 1,186. In her 57 Sunday-schools are 1,336 officers and teachers and 12,935 pupils. Church property is valued at $1,906,180. Total expenses for Church maintenance, $213,296. For apportionment General Council Missions and other benevolence, $23,826. The grand total of $269,515. Progress in every direction is shown. The Laymen's Jubilee Fund Committee reports a total income of $12,732. The Synod has 16 mission churches within its own bounds, four of them founded within the past year, and supports three scholarships, two at Mt. Airy Seminary and one at Muhlenberg College. Besides the Synod's missions, two new congregations were organized in Buffalo and one at West Greece, N. Y. In commemoration of the prosperous completion of the ninth year of the Synod's history, one of the organizers, the Hon. Chas. A. Schieren, of Brooklyn, has given $50,000 to establish a Synodical Professorship at Mt. Airy Theological Seminary, with $500 additional towards furnishing the professor's house.

Two beloved pastors of the Synod and one graduate nurse have gone to the Foreign Field, Rev. Frederick W. Schaefer and Rev. Oscar V. Werner, Miss Agatha Tatge, the latter to be supported by her church in New York. Our District Missionary reports many fields ripe for work in the Eastern Conference.

Very substantial support is given to our large institutions of mercy, though the funds do not all pass through our Treasurer's hands.

The next convention will be held June 4, 1912, in St. Mark's Church, Boston.

F. A. KAEHLER, *President.*

XII. Synod of Nova Scotia.

Since the last meeting of the General Council the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nova Scotia has held two annual meetings. The eighth meeting was held in St. Matthew's Church, Rose Bay, the Rev. H. J. Behrens,

pastor, May 26-29, 1910, and the ninth was held in St. John's Church, Mahone Bay, the Rev. C. H. Little, pastor, June 29—July 1, 1911.

The parochial report furnishes the following statistics:

Number of congregations, 26; number of confirmed members, 2,786; number of Sunday-schools, 18; number of scholars, 1,116; number of teachers, 140; amount raised for benevolences during the year ending June 29, 1911, $1,615.75; amount raised for local expenses, $13,184.90; value of church property, $96,200.00.

During the biennium there has been a steady gain both in the confirmed membership and in the Sunday-schools, while progress has been most pronounced in the advance made in the benevolent offerings among the various congregations of the Synod. During this time two pastors have been received from and one dismissed to other Synods. At the last convention two young men were ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry.

During the biennium commendable progress has been made in advancing pastors' salaries. In this time every parish in the Synod has given an increase of from $100.00 to $200.00. Despite the fact that during the past year one of our parishes has been vacant and for other reasons another parish failed to contribute, the amount apportioned by the Synod for Foreign Missions has been more than met. Besides this several students are being supported in India by the various societies in the different congregations. A fact worthy of mention is that every apportionment recommended by the General Council to the Synod has been met in full. Two young men are being aided in their preparation for the Gospel Ministry, and it is likely that a third will be added to the list next year.

At the Rose Bay Convention, 1910, a resolution was passed making it obligatory upon every parish calling a pastor to pay his moving expenses whether he comes from without or within the bounds of the Synod.

The Bethany Orphans' Home, located at Bridgewater, has for several years been without a housefather, but has at last secured the Rev. C. H. Little, who will begin his labors in this capacity on the 1st of October. It is hoped that from this time on the "Home" will enter upon a new era of prosperity. With Pastor Little taking up the work at the Orphans' Home he will relinquish the editorship of the *Nova Scotia Lutheran,* a position he has held since the inception of the paper four years ago. The Rev. H. J. Behrens, of Rose Bay, becomes his successor as editor.

After a long wait and being convinced more than ever of the necessity for a mission of our Church in Halifax, the capital city of the Province, the Executive Committee of the Synod has again petitioned the Home Mission Board to undertake this work in the fall of this year.

The officers of the Synod are: President, the Rev. W. M. Weaver, Lunenburg; secretary, the Rev. J. F. Bermon, Wentzel's Lake; Treasurer, the Rev. H. J. Behrens, Rose Bay. The tenth convention will be held in St. Paul's Church, Bridgewater, the Rev. W. E. Buchholtz, pastor, June 27, 1912.

W. M. Weaver, *President.*

XIII. The Synod of Central Canada.

The Synod of Central Canada was two years old in May. During the biennium it held its annual conventions in St. Paul's Church, Morrisburg, Ontario, the Rev. L. M. McCreery, pastor, May 26-29, 1910; and in St. Paul's, Guelph, Ontario, the Rev. Robert R. Durst, pastor July 2-4, 1911.

The Synod numbers 14 congregations, 14 ministers and 1,640 members, a gain of 1 congregation, 1 minister, and 215 communicants. Not a congregation is unsupplied, and pastors and people are doing heroic, self-sacrificing pioneer work. During the biennium the Synod contributed $4,671.01 to benevolence, $381.77 more the second than the first year, an average of $1.60 per member during the biennium. One cornerstone was laid and two churches were consecrated. Seven congregations own parsonages. The Synod lost one of its pastors, the Rev. J. J. May, Ph.D., by death. The Canada Synod is cooperating with our Synod in the founding of a Theological Seminary, and a Seminary Board composed of five members from each Synod has charge of the Institution to be located at Waterloo, Ontario.

The Synod has been represented on the English Home Mission Board of the General Council by the Revs. M. J. Bieber and P. C. Wike. The Rev. J. Maurer is the present representative.

The Rev. J. A. Miller was delegate to the Canada Synod during the biennium and the Rev. R. R. Durst represents the Synod next year. The next convention will be held in St. Peter's Church, Williamsburg, the Rev. C. A. Dennig, pastor. The Synod of New York and New England was ably represented by the Rev. F. F. Fry, of Rochester, N. Y., at our last convention.

New missions were started in Morrisville, and Entwirtte, Alta., Hednesford and Transcona, Emerson, Woodbridge and Friedensfeld, Man.

It has been decided to publish a Synodical paper in order to call attention to local occurrences and to the other Church papers. The birth of Muhlenberg was celebrated in the congregations on September 10, 1911.

One Sunday in each month is devoted by the congregations, Sunday-schools, Luther Leagues, etc., to missionary information and offerings. The duplex envelope system is used by the congregations.

A Summer School is to be inaugurated. Lutheran books, periodicals, etc., are being placed upon the racks and shelves of our public libraries. Supervision is being exercised over members moving from place to place, that they be not lost to the Church. An attempt is being made to raise a Jubilee Fund of $25,000 by 1917.

The Executive Committee appoints the Synodical Mission Board, under the Unification plan.

The Synod strongly protested against the *ne temere* decree by which the Roman Church declares all marriages, between Roman Catholics and Protestants invalid if performed by a Protestant clergyman; and it also warns our members against intermarriage with Roman Catholics.

The officers of the Synod are: President Rev. Milton J. Bieber; Secretary, the Rev. Jacob Maurer; Treasurer, Mr. C. H. Fierheller.

MILTON J. BIEBER, *President.*

At the Eighth Session, the Rev. Dr. G. A. Benze presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES AND ABSTRACTS.

Your committee, to whom you referred the Minutes of the District Synods for the past biennium, beg leave to report that they have met and examined all the minutes submitted by said District Synods.

First. The general advance on every hand and in every activity of the life of the Church is most gratifying, and calls for sincere thanksgiving.

Second. To be specially commended by the General Council are:

A. The advance of our educational interests in the Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, in its revised order of instruction and the notable additions to its faculty; also in the immediate prospect of the establishment of a post-graduate course made possible by the generous gift of an endowed professorship in that department by the Hon. G. A. Schieren, a layman of the New York and New England Synod, and the inapproachable facilities offered in the Krauth Memorial Library.

B. The Chicago Theological Seminary in its development and the relocation of its plant in Maywood, Ill., as well as its equipment for the needs of such an institution in this age.

C. The Synods of Central Canada and Canada are to be commended upon their united effort and the maturing of their plans for the establishment of a Theological Seminary in Toronto.

D. The Manitoba Synod is to be commended at the opening of its proseminar, and this united project is commended to the consideration of our German Home Mission Board.

E. *Our Colleges and Schools.* The history of the past biennium shows great advancement in the equipment as well as the support of these institutions. The Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the Pittsburgh Synod and the Augustana Synod are specially commended for the enlarged support which they have made possible for these institutions.

Third. The Council should note with pleasure the activities of the Men's Missionary Movement in all our Synods. Though practically in its inception, its fruits proclaim it worthy of the commendation of this Council to all its District Synods.

Fourth. The work of the W. H. and F. M. Societies has made remarkable progress and is spreading rapidly into all local congregations. It is right that the Council again commend this work to all women of the Church.

Fifth. The interest of the District Synods shown in promoting the $2,000,000 Jubilee Fund is to be especially commended, and the cause urged upon all our congregations.

Sixth. In the good work of missions, while all the Synods have shown commendable activity, the Augustana Synod has so enlarged its work,

both in the Swedish and English Home Missions established, that it has appointed a commissioner among the Swedes of Australia, and to investigate the missionary prospects in Cuba, and is ready to establish successful church work there.

Seventh. In the matter of the request of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, concerning the sending of students from Kropp, Germany, to the Seminary at Philadelphia, your committee recommends that this question be deferred until the Council is ready to consider the report of its Kropp Commission.

Eighth. The Chicago Synod has requested the speedy completion and publication of the new Church Book. To this we add the instructions of the English Synod of the Northwest, to its delegation to this Council, "to urge the early completion of the proposed new Church Book with common musical settings for the services and hymns, the inclusion of a few good translations of standard Scandinavian hymns, the selection of German and Scandinavian tunes assigned to the hymns translated from these languages, and as far as possible the very tunes in use in the mother tongue; and the assignment of American and Anglican tunes to standard English hymns, which long usage has specifically attached to the same."

Your committee recommends that these questions be referred, with commendation of the Council, to the Council's Church Book Committee.

Several Synods have protested against the activity of the General Synod upon the territory of the Synods of the Council. These protests are in general terms; and, not having any specific instances before us, we recommend that they all be referred to the Council's Committee on Arbitration.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Committee.

G. A. Benze, *Chairman.*

H. A. Weller, *Secretary.*

The report, with its several recommendations, was adopted.

The Secretaries submitted in print the

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

Charles A. Smith, Treasurer, in account with the General Expense Fund of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America since 1909 audit.

Debit.

Balance at last audit, 1909		$ 26 07
April 30, 1910. Ministerium of Pennsylvania*	$ 700 00	
May 3, 1911.	700 00	
		1,400 00

Apportionment—*All.

May	26, 1910.	Ministerium of New York*	$ 200 00	
Sept.	8, 1910.		50 00	
July	12, 1911.		250 00	
				$500 00
April	20, 1910.	Pittsburgh Synod †	125 00	
May	4, 1911.		125 00	
				250 00
Feb.	25, 1910.	District Synod of Ohio*	65 00	
May	16, 1910.		65 00	
Feb.	20, 1911.		130 00	
				260 00
Sept.	13, 1910.	Augustana Synod*	350 00	
Jan.	16, 1911.		300 00	
March	2, 1911.		650 00	
				1,300 00
April	16, 1910.	Synod of Canada*	40 00	
May	6, 1911.		40 00	
				80 00
May	23, 1910.	Chicago Synod ‡		50 00
Oct.	13, 1909.	English Synod of the Northwest †..	25 00	
May	16, 1910.		25 00	
April	12, 1911.		25 00	
May	12, 1911.		25 00	
				100 00
Sept.	12, 1910.	Manitoba Synod ‡		10 00
Feb.	21, 1910.	Pacific Synod*	20 00	
June	10, 1911.		20 00	
				40 00
Feb.	23, 1910.	New York & New England Synod †	115 00	
Sept.	22, 1910.		115 00	
				230 00
March	8, 1910.	Nova Scotia Synod*	10 00	
March	10, 1911.		10 00	
				20 00
Feb.	7, 1910.	August Greulich		10 00
Dec.	28, 1910.	Interest on Book account, 1910.....	60 89	
Aug.	25, 1910.	Interest on Book account to September 15, 1911.	62 39	
				123 28
				$4,399 35

Credit.

1909.			
Oct.	13.	Postage and Secretarial Expenses	$ 25 00
Oct.	14.	Rev. I. O. Baker expenses as Official Delegate to Convention of Synod of the South, Oct. 10, 1908	32 50
Nov.	29.	Dr. W. K. Frick, expenses as Official Visitor to United Danish Church, Waupaca, Wis., in 1908....	8 00

Apportionment—*All; †One-half; ‡One-fourth.

1910.			
May.	9.	Rev. Earnest A. Trabert, expenses as Secretary of Ministerial Pension Fund	$17 25
May	13.	Rev. J. A. Leas, one-half traveling expenses Portland to Buffalo to Convention of General Council in October, 1907	50 00
June	22.	Dr. T. E. Schmauk, expenses in representing the General Council at the Jubilee Session of the Augustana Synod at Rock Island, Ill.	62 00
July	26.	Dr. H. E. Jacobs, expenses as Official Visitor to Icelandic Synod in Winnipeg	50 00
Aug.	19.	Rev. G. A. Benze, expenses in attending meeting of Kropp Commission, $15.00 and telegrams to Icelandic Synod, $1.50	16 50
Sept.	26.	Rev. W. M. Weaver, expenses to Convention of General Council in Buffalo in 1907, as per order to Dr. Schmauk dated Aug. 27, 1910	24 58
Sept.	29.	Dr. Alfred Ramsey, expenses as Official Visitor to United Synod of the South at Richmond, Sept. 5 to 12, 1910	55 45
Sept.	29.	Dr. T. E. Schmauk, expenses to Buffalo Sept. 21, 1910, to meet officials of German Canada Synod and English Synod of Canada	16 00
Sept.	29.	Dr. G. C. Berkemeier, expenses to Buffalo Sept. 21, 1910, to meet officials of German Canada Synod and English Synod of Canada	15 00
Dec.	1.	Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, expenses to New York, account meeting of Committee on Jubilee Fund of General Council	43 60
Dec.	1.	Rev. M. J. Bieber, expenses to New York, account meeting of Committee on Jubilee Fund of General Council	26 00
Dec.	1.	Rev. W. A. Beates, expenses to New York, account meeting of Committee on Jubilee Fund of General Council	25 00
Dec.	1.	Dr. E. T. Horn, expenses to New York, account meeting of Committee on Jubilee Fund of General Council	3 20
Dec.	1.	Dr. T. E. Schmauk, expenses to New York, account meeting of Committee on Jubilee Fund of General Council	8 92
1911.			
Jan.	16.	Board of Publication of the General Council, Minutes, Documents, Postage, etc.	1247 81
Jan.	16.	Rev. A. J. Reichert, expenses attending meeting of representative laymen and Presidents of Synods of the General Council in New York, November 17, 1910	20 00

Jan. 28.	Printing minutes, postage, etc.	$ 193 43
Aug. 1.	Dr. J. E. Whitteker, expenses as Delegate to General Synod in Washington, D. C.	10 00
		$1,950 24
	Balance	2,449 11
		$4,399 35

C. A. Smith, *Treasurer.*

The Report was accepted and referred to an Auditing Committee, Mr. F. P. D. Miller, J. F. Trexler, M.D., and Prof. C. W. Foss, Ph.D., which reported at the Fifth Session as follows:

Your committee appointed to audit the report of the Treasurer of the General Council would beg leave to report that we have completed such audit, and have found the report in proper form with the necessary vouchers for all credit items.

Respectfully submitted,

F. P. D. Miller,
J. F. Trexler,
C. W. Foss,
Committee.

E. Aug. Miller, Esq., presented the

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

The Trustees of the General Council would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of the General Council, they have met but once, at which time certain resolutions concerning the title to properties heretofore purchased and to be hereafter purchased in Porto Rico were adopted at the request of the Porto Rico Mission Board. At the same meeting the Treasurer, Hon. Wm. H. Staake, was authorized to pay any income on hand to the Board or Boards entitled thereto, and E. Augustus Miller, Esq., was appointed a committee to audit the accounts of the treasurer and examine the securities held by him. The Treasurer's report is hereto attached.

Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., one of the Trustees, departed this life since the last meeting of the General Council.

The terms of the following Trustees expire at this meeting: Samuel P. Sadtler, Ph.D., William F. Monroe, and E. Augustus Miller, Esq. The terms of the following expired in 1910: Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., (deceased), and Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D. The term of the three remaining Trustees, viz., Hon. Wm. H. Staake, Rev. Edward E. Sibole, D.D., and Wm. H. Hager, will expire in 1912. Six trustees should be elected to serve for two years in place of those whose terms expired in

1910 and 1911, and three should be elected to serve for one year from 1912 in place of those whose terms expire in that year. By this means, the terms of all will expire at the next meeting of the General Council in 1913. By that time it is expected that the Charter will be so amended, in accordance with the resolution adopted at the last meeting in 1909, that thereafter the term of the Trustees shall be for four years, one-half being elected at each meeting of the General Council.

The organization of the Trustees remains as reported two years ago, President, Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D.; Vice-President, Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D.; Treasurer, Hon. Wm. H. Staake; Secretary, E. Augustus Miller, Esq.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Aug. Miller, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

William H. Staake, in account with Trustees of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America of the following trusts:

SEMINARY BUILDING FUND.

Dr.

Balance at Audit of 1909	$569 96
Interest from Bank	25 65
	$595 61

Cr.

By Cash	$000 00
Balance on hand	595 61
	$595 61

(This fund consists of moneys contributed for the erection of a Seminary Building at Rajahmundry, India, title to which is to be held by the Trustees.)

B. W. SCHMAUK LEGACY ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Two years' interest on $500 E. & P. 4s, due respectively Oct. 1, 1909; April 1, 1910; October 1, 1910; April 1, 1911, at $10 each	$40 00

1911 *Cr.*

August 16. By cash, W. A. Rafferty, prof'n. services typewriting accounts, etc.	1 00
August 16. By cash, James M. Snyder, Treasurer of Foreign Mission Fund	39 00
	$40 00

(The principal, $498.13 on hand of this fund, originally $500.00, less expenditures $1.87, was received Sept. 11, 1899, is to be invested by Board, and interest to be used by it in its work at its discretion. Principal is invested in $500 E. & P. 4s.)

UNKNOWN DONOR ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To cash, two years' interest on $2,000 E. & P. 4s, due respectively, Oct. 1, 1909; April 1, 1910; Oct. 1, 1910, and April 1, 1911, at $40 each	$160 00

Cr.

1909	
August 16. By cash, W. A. Rafferty, prof'n. services, typewriting accounts, etc.	$2 00
Aug. 16. By cash, James M. Snyder, Treasurer Foreign Mission Fund	158 00
	$160 00

(The principal of this fund, $2,000, received from "Person who desires name to be withheld", is devoted to the cause of Foreign Missions. The principal of $2,000 is invested in $2,000 E. & P. 4s.)

J. GEORGE WAGNER FUND.

Dr.

Balance, Audit of 1909	$1,000 00
Interest from Bank	45 00
	$1,045 00

Cr.

1909	
Aug. 16. By cash, Jas. M. Snyder, Treasurer Foreign Mission Fund	$45 00
Balance on hand	1,000 00
	$1,045 00

(The Treasurer received on Feb. 13, 1893, from G. W. Voshall $1,500, to be expended by Trustees for Foreign Missions. This principal of $1,500 was reduced to $1,000 by payments on Feb. 1, 1894, to Rev. Dr. J. J. Kuendig, Treasurer German Home Mission Board.)

CLARA SCHLEGELMILCH MEMORIAL.

Dr.

Balance Audit 1909, being amount received Aug. 12, 1909, bequeathed by Clara Schlegelmilch to Trustees of General Council, etc., for memorial	$1,000 00

Cr.

1909	
Oct. 27. By cash, James M. Snyder, Treasurer Foreign Mission Fund	$1,000 00

ESTATE OF SARAH HARWICK, DECEASED.

Dr.

Balance at Audit, 1909	$436 66
Interest from Bank	21 00
	$457 66

Cr.

By cash	$000 00
Balance on hand	457 66
	$457 66

MARY A. RATZEL FUND.

Balance Audit 1909 (part principal $2,135.00)	$335 00
Two years' mortgage interest on $1,800 mortgage due Oct. 30, 1909; April 30, 1910; Oct. 30, 1910, and April 30, 1911, at $48.60 each	194 40
Interest from bank	16 00
	$545 40

(The principal of this fund. $2,135, is made up of amount received from Estate of Mary A. Ratzel, and is represented by Bond and Mortgage on 255 N. 58th St., for $1,800; cash on hand, $335. Total, $2,135.00. The income of this fund is devoted to Foreign Missions.)

Cr.

1911	
Aug. 16. William A. Rafferty, prof'n services, typewriting accounts	$ 2 00
Aug. 16. James M. Snyder, Treasurer Foreign Mission Fund..	208 40
Balance on hand	335 00
	$545 40

KONGO MISSION.

Dr.

Balance at Audit 1909	$3 70

(Received Feb. 11, 1885, from Rev. C. G. Fischer, for Lutheran Kongo Mission.)

Cr.

By cash	$000 00
Balance on hand	3 70
	$3 70

WILLIAM H. STAAKE, *Treasurer.*

I have audited the above accounts, and examined the securities, and found the same correct as reported.

E. AUG. MILLER,

Committee of Trustees of General Council.

The report, with its recommendations touching the election of six Trustees to serve for two years in place of those whose terms expire in 1910 and 1911, and three for one year from 1912, was adopted.

The President appointed a committee to nominate the Trustees. At the Third Session they presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

For Two Years.—Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., Rev. Prof. Henry Offermann, D.D., Samuel P. Sadtler, Ph.D., LL.D., Mr. William F. Monroe, E. Augustus Miller, Esq.

For One Year.—Hon. William H. Staake, Rev. Edward E. Sibole, D.D., Mr. William H. Hager.

F. Jacobson,
J. F. Lambert.
Jas. M. Snyder,
C. Theodore Benze.

The English Recording Secretary was instructed to cast the vote for the above, and they were declared elected.

Mr. William H. Hager presented the

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Finance Committee begs leave to submit the following report. At this time of writing we do not have the final figures which will appear in your Treasurer's Report, but partial information leads us to believe that the apportionment of $5,000 biennially (from 1909 to 1911), recommended by your lay delegates and adopted by your honorable body, will probably be paid in full. The result should be a balance of about $3,000—as over against the 1909 balance of $26.07, surely a most gratifying comparison and arrived at without laying much of a burden on any of our Synods. It is also well to direct attention to the fact that the expenditures have been on a most economical scale, possibly $1,000 per year, all paid out by direct order of your President. About two-thirds of this amount was taken up by publication expense, of which $162.58 was for the printing of the English Abstract, $88.00 for the printing of the German Abstract, $193.43 for the printing of the Swedish Abstract. We believe it will be, for the present at least, a wise plan to maintain a working balance of about $3,000, and at the same time recognizing the fact, that these funds intended for the executive work of the General Council, should be, and will be, drawn on more freely as this work broadens and develops. In order to wisely

safeguard these funds, we recommend that any special appeals for appropriation from this fund be first referred to our Committee for favorable or unfavorable action. In this connection, we do not believe that there is any clear understanding of the vast amount of detail work which is thrown upon your presiding officer and secretaries without any adequate provision for same, and only successfully carried forward during their administration by a considerable sacrifice of time and energy. We do not consider this just or business-like, and therefore recommend that your Committee be given power in consultation with your president, to provide whatever adequate assistance is necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. HAGER, *Chairman.*

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the report, with two recommendations referring to special appeals for appropriations from the funds of the Council and relief for overburdened officers, be adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Weiskotten, it was

Resolved, That a Committee on Budget be appointed.

Committee, Messrs. William H. Hager, James M. Snyder, E. Clarence Miller, W. P. N. Braun, F. C. Hassold and Hon. F. M. Riter.

NOMINATING AND OTHER COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Committees:

1. *To Nominate the Trustees.*—The Revs. F. Jacobson, Ph.D., J. F. Lambert, C. T. Benze, D.D., and Mr. J. M. Snyder.

2. *To Nominate the Foreign Mission Board, the Porto Rico Board, the English Home Mission Board, and the Board of Education.*—The Revs. A. Appell, Dr. G. J. Gongaware, E. L. T. Engers, Dr. F. A. Kaehler, Prof. C. W. Foss, Messrs. W. W. Wattles, W. H. Hager, and F. T. Laugner.

3. *On Abstracts and Minutes.*—Revs. Dr. G. A. Benze, H. A. Weller, F. R. Bossart, and Messrs. I. G. Romich, H. W. Knauff, and J. W. Greene.

4. *On Papers and Documents.*—The Rev. Drs. H. W. Roth, G. F. Spieker, G. H. Gerberding, H. H. Bruning, Prof. C. A. Marks, and C. P. Ulrich, Esq.

At the request of Dr. Horn, President of the Board, the Rev. George Drach, General Secretary, presented the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

PART I.

The Work of the Board.

I. GENERAL REVIEW.

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America:

DEAR BRETHREN:—We present this report of the work which has been done during the past two years by your Board and the Foreign Missions under its care and control with gratitude to God who through Jesus Christ, our Lord, the Redeemer of the world, has so signally blessed our efforts in behalf of the Christianization of that part of the non-Christian world which He has assigned to us as our mission fields, and with the earnest prayer to Him to continue His grace and blessing, without which we cannot hope to succeed.

We have prayed and have encouraged others to pray for an increase in the number of our foreign missionaries, and He has heard our prayers, giving us, during the past two years, three additional ordained missionaries and two additional woman missionaries for our Telugu Mission in India and one additional ordained missionary for our Japan Mission. Meanwhile two of our former missionaries have died and one resigned, leaving us a force of eighteen missionaries for India and two for Japan.

More Missionaries Needed.—When we study our opportunities in our Foreign Missions and note the inadequacy of our force, as it is so clearly set forth in the reports of our missionaries, we are constrained to lay the matter of securing more missionaries upon the hearts and consciences of all our pastors and people, beseeching them to use the remedy which Christ Himself prescribed, and pray the Lord of the Harvest to send laborers into His harvest. We should have, at once, at least ten more men and as many woman missionaries in our India Mission and three more men in Japan, in order to do our assigned work with any show of adequacy. We rejoice that more attention will be paid in our Theological Seminary in Philadelphia to the study of the theory and practice of missions, and look forward to a larger supply of missionaries from this and the other Theological Seminaries in affiliation with the General Council. The lack of ministers affects our foreign mission fields more than any other field of our Church. In India we have one ordained missionary to every 250,000 of the population, ninety-nine out of every one hundred of them being heathen, still to be Christianized.

New Buildings Needed.—Besides the need of missionaries, we would, also, emphasize the need of better equipment. Much has been done during the past years to give our Telugu Mission in India adequate buildings for its expanding work. The Girls' Central School, the Boys' Cen-

tral School, the Hospital for Women and Children, just completed, and the Augustana Church at Samulkot, are monuments of love and service to Christ on the part of the members of our Church; but there are a number of buildings urgently needed for other departments of the Mission, and we must erect them during the next few years.

We are happy to be able to report that we have undertaken the erection of a new building for the Peddapur Boys' High School, our only High School in the Mission, concerning which we have high hopes, and which, if possible, is to have a missionary as its manager. We had contemplated the erection of this much-needed building at the time we erected the Boys' Central School at Luthergiri, Rajahmundry, but were prevented by a lack of funds. We confidently trust that our churches will now give us the financial support required to complete the Peddapur School building, which is to cost us $11,000.00, apart from a grant of $3,000.00 promised by the Government.

We have, also, authorized the repair and extension of the old school building in Rajahmundry for the use of the Training School for Masters. We expect, moreover, to authorize the Rev. Ernst Neudoerffer, on his return to the Mission, to superintend the erection of a suitable dwelling for the missionary at Bhimawaram, where one should have been built long ago; and are prepared to sanction the erection of another at Jaggampet, when a site has been secured. These two bungalows are estimated to cost no less than seven thousand dollars. The Mission has, also, been urging new churches for the congregations at Rajahmundry and Dowlaishwaram, and, were sufficient funds provided, we would not hesitate to sanction their erection, with the assistance of the native congregations. Other buildings, whose need has been described to us, are a Bible Women's Home and Training School, a Dispensary at Rajahmundry and another at Bhimawaram, an Orphans' Home, a Refuge for converted caste women, a Public Christian Library and Reading Room in Rajahmundry, and several new buildings for the Hindu Girls' Schools.

Thanks to the generosity of Mr. William W. Wattles, of the First Lutheran Church, in Pittsburgh, a hostel or dormitory for theological students will be erected at Aryapuram, Rajahmundry, on a lot owned by the Mission, within easy access of the Boys' Central School, in connection with which a Theological School is to be organized. This hostel is to cost approximately $1,000.00, and is to be a memorial to the late Rev. John Henry Harpster, D.D. The beneficiary education of the theological students is estimated to average about $300.00 a year.

Increased Appropriations.—In order that the Church may see how rapidly the work of our Telugu Mission is increasing, we give here a list of the sums sent out semi-annually for the regular expenses of the Mission, exclusive of missionaries' salaries and emergencies:

For	first	half	of	1905.....	$4,000.00	For	second	half	of 1905.. $4,000.00
"	"	"	"	1909.....	6,320.00	"	"	"	" 1909.. 6,355.00
"	"	"	"	1910.....	7,155.00	"	"	"	" 1910.. 7,531.00
"	"	"	"	1911.....	7,888.00	"	"	"	" 1911.. 9,000.00

As the number of native workers increases, new villages are added, additional schools are opened, and all the departments of the Mission grow and extend their work, these appropriations for the general work of the Mission will correspondingly increase, which will call for an ever increasing income from our churches. Happily, we have every reason to anticipate such an increase of contributions as will enable us to respond to the calls of the Mission.

Increased Income.—We greatly rejoice in the decided increase of our income during the past two years, which is a clear indication of deeper and more universal interest and effort for foreign missions in the General Council.

The treasurer's report shows receipts of $131,877.97 during the biennium, as compared with $71,395.66 during the previous two years, an increase of $60,482.31. When we analyze his report, however, we find that $26,200.00 of this increase represents contributions from our Woman's Missionary societies for the hospital building and equipment, which the women have been gathering for years, and that from legacies and Mr. Wattles $3,681.33 were received, so that the increased effort of our congregations has really been only a normal one, approximately $15,000.00 a year. That it could have been, and, indeed, should have been greater, no one will deny. That our General Council, as yet, is doing its full share of the work of world-evangelization, no one will seriously assert. The average per communicant member for foreign missions during 1909 was twelve cents, not counting what the Augustana Synod contributed for its new China Mission, which may bring the average up to thirteen or fourteen cents, while the average in the General Synod was thirty-six cents, and in the denominations in America from forty cents to $2.48.

We are appealing for at least $75,000.00 this year for our General Council Missions. That will mean an average of about sixteen cents per communicant or one and one-half cents a month from each member of our congregations. A postage stamp a month is surely not asking too much for the great cause of carrying the gospel into the non-Christian world.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement.—We greatly rejoice in the wider interest taken by the laymen of our own, as well as of other Protestant churches, in the work of foreign missions, as a result of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, which has shown splendid results wherever it has been allowed to exert its influence through a convention and the follow-up work. This Movement does not call for any organization of the men into societies, but wishes to be educational and inspirational in its purpose. It strongly advocates a standing missionary committee in every congregation, the every-member canvass for Missions, and the weekly offering for purposes outside of the congregation, as well as for local expenses. Abundant literature concerning the Movement, its work and its aims, its meaning and its methods, is available.

The Woman's Missionary Societies.—Not the least of the factors in

the prevailing increase of mission interest and effort is the Woman's Missionary Society, which was organized primarily to aid the cause of woman's work for women in heathen lands. This movement has received an added impetus from the celebration of the Jubilee of the organization of Woman's Missionary Societies. The Federation of our synodical societies into one General Council Society has been consummated and promises to develop a unified and increased effort for missions among the women of our churches. The constitution of this general society should have the approval of the General Council.

2. HOME ADMINISTRATION.

Board Meetings and Officers.—The Board met fourteen times since the last convention of the General Council, usually devoting a whole day to a meeting. The average attendance at these meetings was eleven. At the meeting for re-organization in October, 1909, the following officers were elected: President, the Rev. Edward T. Horn, D.D., LL.D.; Treasurer, Mr. James M. Snyder; English Recording Secretary, the General Secretary by appointment; German Recording Secretary, Mr. Conrad Itter; Swedish Recording Secretary, the Rev. S. G. Franzen, who resigned as a member and officer of the Board in August, 1910, having removed to Iowa. In September, 1910, the Rev. J. P. O. Cornell was elected in his stead. In February, 1911, the Rev. Henry E. Jacobs, D.D., LL.D., S.T.D., sometime President of the Board and one of its most useful members, felt constrained on account of prolonged illness at the time, to resign from the Board, and the Board under the circumstances accepted his resignation with deep regret. In the place of Dr. Jacobs the Hon. Frank M. Riter, of Philadelphia, was elected in March, 1911. These are the only changes that have occurred in the membership of the Board. Those whose terms expire at this convention of the General Council are: The Revs. Dr. Lars G. Abrahamson, Dr. Gustaf Nelsenius, John A. Weyl, William E. Frey, and Messrs. Conrad Itter, Charles B. Opp, Philip S. Zieber and Frank M. Riter.

Swedish District Secretary.—The Board has resolved to employ a Swedish District Secretary and has called a brother of the Swedish Augustana Synod, who, it is hoped, will accept. The duties of this district Secretary have been defined as follows:

1. To represent the Board in the congregations of the Augustana Synod.
2. To spread information, awaken interest and solicit funds for the support of the foreign missions of the General Council.
3. To interest and recommend young men and women for service in our mission fields.
4. To keep the people informed of our work at home and abroad through the papers of the Augustana Synod and such literature as may be approved by the Board.
5. To perform such other duties as the Board from time to time may determine.

6. The relation of the Swedish District Secretary to the Board shall be (a) to labor under the direction of the Board and report to it at each regular meeting through the General Secretary concerning his work and expenses, (b) to attend the regular meetings of the Board as often as possible and to be present whenever called by the President of the Board, (c) to remit monthly all money received for our foreign missions to the treasurer of the Mission Board of the Augustana Synod, and report the same to the Board of Foreign Missions.

The General Secretary.—The General Secretary has conducted the correspondence of the Board with the missions, and all the business of the Board in this country, except the peculiar duties of the Treasurer. He has visited synods, conferences, conventions and congregations; and, in one instance, has made a complete canvass of a conference—a method which he intends to pursue further. He performs the duties of Recording Secretary for the Board, and edits the *Foreign Missionary.* He has kept in touch with Foreign Mission Boards of this country and thus been able to make use of their experience. With the President of the Board he was delegated to the Mission Council at Edinburgh in 1910. By this his efficiency has been increased. While we know that it is to God's blessing and the awakening liberality of our people that the larger contributions we have received are due, and to the deserved confidence which our people rest on the missionaries in the field, the Board feels assured that its Secretary has been a factor in the gratifying results of this biennium.

The Edinburgh Conference.—The Board was represented at the Edinburgh Conference by the President and the General Secretary. The peculiar conditions which make of all the missions among non-Christian peoples one great movement were emphasized, unoccupied fields and the threatening activity of Mohammedanism were discussed, the experience of all the missions was offered for the use of all, and such problems as the methods of Christian education and evangelization, and the organization and cultivation of the native churches, and the recognition of the God-given elements of native beliefs and customs, were considered. It was shown that the work of Christian missions had reached that stage where the development of the native church is a problem of insistent importance. The Conference took due notice of the differences in aim and methods between the societies of England and America on the one side, and those of Continental Europe on the other. The societies of Germany have formed a Central Committee, corresponding in some respects with the Conference of Foreign Mission Boards in this country and its Committee of Reference and Counsel; and the Edinburgh Conference before adjournment appointed a "Continuation Committee," which will continue to gather information, will serve as a means of communication between Boards of different countries, if necessary may represent the mission cause before governments, and has encouraged the establishment of a *Review of Missions.* At Edinburgh we had a brief meeting of Lutheran delegates, at which about fifty were present, representing

missions in all parts of the world; but, although it was a great pleasure to meet representatives of the Lutheran societies working with us among the Telugus, especially our former missionary, Pohl, the meeting was hindered by the diversity of tongues. The General Secretary also attended a special meeting of the "Continental" delegates.

Incorporation.—In accordance with the instruction of the last convention of the General Council, the Board sought and secured a Charter of Incorporation, which was granted by the Decree of Judge William K. Staake, of Philadelphia, on November 18, 1910, and accepted by the Board at its meeting on February 2, 1911. In this charter the Board is given the following:

CONSTITUTION.

1. The name of the Corporation is and shall be "The Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America."

2. The object for which the said Corporation is formed shall be to conduct the foreign missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, and maintain the same in accordance with the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church as accepted by the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, in such places as may from time to time be determined by the said Corporation, and provide ways and means for the carrying on and extension of said work, and to perform such other duties as are usually incumbent upon and pertain to a Board of Foreign Missions.

3. The business of said Corporation shall be transacted in the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

4. The said Corporation has no capital stock and is to exist perpetually.

5. The management and control of said Corporation shall be vested in a Board not exceeding sixteen members, who shall be elected by the said General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, for a term of four years, one-half of this number being chosen at each biennial convention of the said General Council, provided, however, that the said Board shall have the power to fill any vacancies that may occur in its membership between the conventions or meetings of the said General Council.

At the subsequent meeting of the Board the following action was taken: In accepting the Charter of Incorporation this Board interprets the clause, "in accordance with the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church as accepted by the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America," to mean, that all the work of this corporation shall be on the basis of the Principles of Faith and Church Polity of the General Council, according to the directions of the General Council in session at Minneapolis, September 9-14, 1909.

Under this Charter and Constitution the Board re-organized by the election of its former officers and the adoption of the former by-laws. It awaits the transfer of such securities and papers now in the hands of

the Trustees of the General Council, as properly belong in its possession. It is now in a position to accept legacies in the form which is given below in a footnote,* and our pastors are earnestly requested to remind their people of our worthy cause as one which deserves mention in their last wills and testaments.

Home Expenditures.—Apart from the salary, traveling and office expenses of the General Secretary, $1,105.55 were expended for the traveling expenses of the members of the Board in attending the meetings, and $535.00, less $5.53 returned by the General Secretary and $35.00 by the President, for the World Missionary Conference expenses. For printing and mailing the reports of 1909, other literature and stationery $1,667.11 were expended. The total expenditure for home administration was $8,980.98, less than eight per cent. of all expenditures.

Literature.—New editions of the Rev. R. C. G. Bielinski's German pamphlets and of the Rev. George Drach's pamphlet, "The Telugus and Our Mission Field in India," and one on "The Woman's Missionary Society in the General Council," by the Rev. George Drach were published.

"The Foreign Missionary," edited by the Rev. George Drach, and *"Der Missionsbote,"* edited by the Rev. R. C. G. Bielinski, have been regularly published and distributed every month. We regret to say that the number of subscribers has decreased somewhat during the past two years. We earnestly request the pastors of our congregations to take an interest in the wider circulation of these valuable papers, which are the only means whereby our people can be kept intelligently and sympathetically informed on the progress and prospects of our foreign missions. *"The Mission Worker,"* ably edited by Mrs. Charles L. Fry, and published as the organ of our Woman's Missionary Societies, is heartily commended as a paper to be read with *"The Foreign Missionary"* or *"Der Missionsbote."*

The business manager of *"Der Missionsbote,"* the Rev. H. Grahn, D.D., retired at the close of the year 1910, and the Rev. R. C. G. Bielinski has temporarily assumed the duties of this position. Financially, both of our papers are in a good condition, the surplus of *"Der Missionsbote"* during the biennium having been $700.00, which was covered into the General Fund.

3. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

Invested Funds.—Besides the William H. Trabert Foundation, to which the sum of $50.00 has been added, the following permanent investments have been made, on the recommendation of the Board's Committee on Finance: $2,045.00 of the F. W. Weiskotten Memorial Fund in two $1,000.00 bonds of the Philadelphia Company first mortgage and Collateral Trust drawing 5 per cent. interest, $605.00 of the Charlotte Swenson Memorial Fund, in Philadelphia Electric 4s., drawing 5 per cent. interest, and

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***FORM OF BEQUEST.**

"I give and bequeath unto the 'Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America', the sum of ....." If real estate, "I give and devise unto the 'Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America,' its successors and assigns, all that certain, etc., (describing the property).

$1,000.00, the Clara Schlegelmilch Memorial Fund, in Scranton Railway Bonds, drawing interest at 5 per cent.

Besides several small legacies received, we anticipate the settlement of the John Keck estate, which has remained in an unsettled state for many years, and look forward to a settlement in the matter of the Dr. John Nicum legacy.

By action of the Board, the Haas' lands in India are to be sold as soon as possible and the proceeds used for a Haas' Memorial bungalow at Bhimawaram or some other purpose.

The Board has increased the salaries of women missionaries, after a residence of ten years in India, to $600.00 a year.

Among the contributions to be especially noted, are those of the German Iowa Synod, amounting to $1,029.70, during the biennium, the Icelandic Synod, amounting to $560.00, and the American Tract Society, amounting to $100.00.

Missionaries Supported.—The following missionaries are now being supported by congregations and societies: The Rev. C. F. Kuder by the Men's Bible Class of Holy Trinity Church, Buffalo, N. Y., the Rev. F. A. Kaehler, D.D., pastor; the Rev. Karl L. Wolters by the Luther Leagues of Buffalo; the Rev. Edward T. Horn, Jr., by the Men's Foreign Missionary Society of Holy Trinity Church, Reading, Pa.; the Rev. O. O. Eckardt by the First Swedish Lutheran Church of St. Paul, Minn. (in part); Miss Emily L. Weiskotten by St. James,' Portland, Oregon, the Rev. J. A. Leas, pastor; Miss Sigrid Esberhn by the Icelandic Evangelical Lutheran Synod; Miss Susan E. Monroe by herself; Miss Betty A. Nilsson, M.D., by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Augustana Synod; Miss Lydia Woerner, M.D., by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Eastern Conference of the New York and New England Synod; Miss Margaret Haupt by the First Lutheran Church, Pittsburg, the Rev. George J. Gongaware, D.D., pastor; Miss Agatha Tatge by the Church of the Advent, New York, the Rev. William M. Horn, pastor; and Miss Agnes I. Schade (in part) by congregations in the Pittsburg Synod.

The Hospital Fund.—The new Hospital for Women and Children in Rajahmundry, built under the supervision of Mr. Arps, cost $29,700.00, including the furniture. For the site $4,500.00 were paid, so that this institution represents an outlay of over $34,000.00, all of which was provided by the Woman's Missionary Societies of the General Council. The Pennsylvania and Augustana societies each assumed one-half of the cost of the main buildings, and the society of the Western Conference of the New York and New England Synod, with the aid of the society of the Synod of Central Canada, the cost of the Maternity Ward. Other societies assisted somewhat in this undertaking, and all of the synodical societies will unite in the maintenance of the hospital and medical work as a regular department of the mission. The fact that the hospital was built and equipped without one cent of indebtedness is worthy of being especially emphasized, and the women of our churches deserve to be

highly commended for their very successful effort for this institution, intended for the relief and benefit of their brown sisters in India.

4. THE DEATH OF DR. HARPSTER AND OF DR. SCHMIDT.

The Rev. John Henry Harpster, D.D., died on February 1, 1911, at the home of his brother-in-law, the Rev. Henry E. Jacobs, D.D., in Mt. Airy, Philadelphia. The funeral services were held in the Schaeffer-Ashmead Memorial Church, Mt. Airy, Phila., on February 3, the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Synod, the Rev. L. B. Wolf, D.D., and the General Secretary of the General Council's Board, the Rev. George Drach, delivering addresses, the Revs. J. Fry, D.D., and A. S. Fichthorn conducting the services. His body was interred in the cemetery at Gettysburg, Penna.

John Henry Harpster, the son of George and Frances Harpster, was born at Centre Hall, Pennsylvania, April 27, 1844. His education was interrupted by the Civil War, through which he served. He was captain and staff officer of the Second Corps, Army of the Potomac, and twice was dangerously wounded in battle. After the war he resumed his studies at institutions in Selinsgrove and Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, preparing for the holy ministry. He was ordained in 1871, and went at once as a foreign missionary of the General Synod to its Telugu Mission in India, in which he served until 1876. Impaired health led to his return to America, and he served congregations in Ellsworth and Hayes City, Kansas, Trenton, New Jersey, and Canton, Ohio. He married Julia, daughter of Professor Michael Jacobs of Gettysburg, Penna., in 1882. In 1893 he returned to India and served until 1901.

In 1902 the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council having asked the Board of the General Synod to release him in order to reorganize the mission at Rajahmundry, he accepted the difficult position and threw himself with characteristic vigor and devotion into the work. Besides being the missionary of the large Bhimawaram district and, for a time, of the Korukonda district, he was the missionary in charge of Rajahmundry and manager of the Printery and Book Store. In 1907 he resigned as the Temporary Director of the Mission but retained by the appointment of the Board the position of Chairman of the Executive Committee. In 1906 he united with the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. The chief monument of his work in Rajahmundry is the Boys' Central School at Luthergiri, the erection of which he carefully superintended. He returned to America on furlough in the spring of 1909, and then devoted himself to the presentation of the great cause of foreign missions in the congregations of the General Council, in which work he was eminently successful. His influence won for our Board a number of missionaries and increased financial support. The following resolutions were passed by the Board at its meeting in March 1911:

Whereas, God in his Providence has removed by death on the first day of Ferbuary, 1911, at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Reverend John Henry Harpster, D.D., our missionary on furlough in America, and

Whereas Reverend John Henry Harpster, D.D., one of the great foreign missionaries of the Lutheran Church in America, began his career as a foreign missionary in 1872, when the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, sent him to its Telugu Mission at Guntur, India, where he labored until 1876, returning to this Mission, after having served congregations in the United States, in 1893, for a second term lasting eight years, and then at the urgent call of the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, went to its Telugu Mission at Rajahmundry, India, in 1902, with the special titles and commission of "Temporary Director" and Chairman of the Executive Committee, then the highest office in the Mission, to re-organize it under new rules and regulations, and having fulfilled his mission and resigned his special office and position, returned to America in 1909, where he was spending his furlough in the service of our Board, which had called him to return to Rajahmundry as a regular missionary, and

Whereas, while he served our Board in its India Mission, he labored faithfully and well, erected new and adequate buildings for the Boys' Central School at Rajahmundry, extricated our mission property from the confusion of uncertain titles, improved the mission plant, and won many converts to Christianity, and

Whereas, while on furlough in America, in 1909-1910, he attracted the interest of many by his addresses and efforts, spread information, deepened the sense of our foreign mission obligation, and won the prayers and consecration of those who learned to know him; Be it

Resolved, that we, the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council, express our high appreciation of his long and successful career as a foreign missionary in India, and especially of his service, both in our Telugu Mission and at home in our churches, and our sense of the great loss we have sustained in his death, and

Resolved. that we express our deep sympathy to his widow, whom we commend to the tender love of our Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, His Son, Our Lord.

The Rev. Hans Christian Schmidt, D.D., died at Kotagiri, Nilgiri Hills, South India, March 6, 1911, and his body was interred in the Basler Mission Cemetery at Kotagiri. He is survived by his widow and daughter, Dagmar, the wife of missionary Steker of the Breklum Mission.

Hans Christian Schmidt was born May 25, 1840, at Flensborg, Schleswig, Germany, at the time of his birth, a Danish province. He prepared for service as a foreign missionary at the Danish Mission School in Copenhagen and under the personal instruction of the Rev. C. W. Groenning, who was his god-father. He accompanied Father Heyer to America, in 1869, offered his service as a foreign missionary of the Pennsylvania Ministerium and the General Council for the work of the reconstruction of the Rajahmundry Mission, under Heyer, was accepted and ordained by the Pennsylvania Ministerium in 1869, served a German congregation in

Carlisle, Penna., until the Executive Committee of the Ministerium, then the Foreign Missions Committee of the General Council, could send him to India, sailed for Boston in March, 1870, and reached Rajahmundry in August of the same year. He married Giovanni Bleshoy at Madras, January 12, 1874. She had come from her home in Gjelstedt, Denmark, to India, to become his wife.

Dr. Schmidt was the General Council's foreign missionary in active service without interruption, except for two furloughs, one in 1884 and the other in 1895, for thirty-two years, until his retirement upon pension, in 1902. Some of the more important achievements of his career as our missionary, were the building of the Mission house-boat "The Dove of Peace," in 1876, the erection of St. Paul's church, Rajahmundry, consecrated December 25, 1878, when Pastors Joseph and Paulus, our first native Christian pastors, were ordained, the building of the "Riverdale" bungalow in 1883, the Zenana Home and the Bhimawaram church, the completion of the Telugu Lutheran Church Book in 1882, and active participation, as a member of an especially appointed committee, in the revision of the Telugu Bible. Much of the development of the successful work in the Bhimawaram District was due to his efforts. He was deeply interested in industrial work for native Christians, and made an earnest effort to establish such work in our Mission but without permanent success. He will be remembered as one of the great missionaries of our Church in India. The following resolutions were adopted by the Board:

God in his Providence, having called from this earth, the Rev. Hans Christian Schmidt, D.D., a member of our Mission in India, who passed away on March 6, 1911, at his home in Kotagiri, Nilgiri Hills, India:

Be it *Resolved* by the Board of Foreign Missions, that record be made of Dr. Schmidt's long connection with our Mission in active service from 1870 to 1902, and in retirement upon pension from 1902 until the present time, and

Resolved, That we remember his work of faith and labor of love and patience of hope in our Lord, Jesus Christ; how he sometimes had to work almost alone; how he laid the foundations of our present prosperity; how generously he contributed to the Mission; how he cherished wide plans for its extension and establishment; and how, when some of these plans could not be carried out, he readily helped in the re-organization of the Mission, and did his utmost to secure the title of the General Council to the properties, which for so long a time had to be carried in his name; and

Resolved, That the Board of Foreign Missions offers to Mrs. Schmidt and her daughter sincere sympathy in their affliction, commends them to the love of God, and rejoices to be able to do a part in caring for her declining years.

5. MISSIONARIES ON FURLOUGH.

Miss Susan E. Monroe returned to our mission in India in December, 1909, to serve under the rules of the mission at her own expense. She

has taken charge of the Zenana department, in which she has been doing excellent work. Her example and influence have done very much for the cause both at home and abroad.

Miss Agnes I. Schade, whose furlough began in March, 1909, returned to India in November, 1910, to take charge of the Girls' Central School, whose success has been due to her efficiency. During her furlough she did good work as a speaker at conventions of Woman's Missionary Societies, urging in her addresses, in particular, the need of woman's missionary work in our Telugu Mission.

The Rev. and Mrs. Ernst Neudoerffer returned to America in the spring of 1910 and will leave again for India directly after the Convention of the General Council, accompanied by the missionaries-elect. The Rev. Mr. Neudoerffer has spent much time during his furlough in itinerary work, speaking to conventions and congregations concerning the great work of our mission. He has endeavored especially to increase the interest and effort of our German and German-English constituency in the Canada Synod, of which he is a member, in the New York and Pennsylvania Ministeriums, in the District Synod of Ohio and in the Pacific Synod, although congregations in all synods received the benefit of his work at home.

The Rev. and Mrs. R. Arps left Rajahmundry on furlough in April, 1911, and have been spending the intervening months with their son and daughter in Luebeck, Germany. They have been invited to come to America to attend the convention of the General Council, and to devote the succeeding months to deputation work among our churches in the General Council and in the German Iowa Synod.

6. NEW MISSIONARIES FOR INDIA.

Two ordained ministers and two young ladies have accepted the call of the Board to labor in our Telugu Mission, and will be conducted to their field of work by the Rev. and Mrs. Neudoerffer. We had called a third ordained minister, the Rev. Albert E. Guetzlaff, a member of the German Iowa Synod, and his sister, Miss Eleonora Guetzlaff, and both had accepted the Board's call; but on account of the illness of this brother last winter, which left him physically disabled, he and his sister have been obliged to withdraw and remain in America. We are making an effort to secure some other member of the Iowa Synod to go out in the place of Mr. Guetzlaff. Our new missionaries are the following:

The Rev. Oscar Victor Carl Werner, who is a graduate of Wagner College, Rochester, N. Y., and an alumnus of the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, took the degree of Master of Arts at Columbia University, New York. He was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., November 9, 1886 He was ordained by the New York and New England Synod in 1909, after which he served a congregation at Freeport, New York.

The Rev. Frederick William Schaefer, born November 22, 1883, in New York city, is, also, a graduate of Wagner College and of the Philadel-

phia Seminary, and was ordained by the New York Ministerium in 1905. He has served congregations in Lockport, Penna., and Brooklyn, New York. He is a member of the New York and New England Synod.

These two brethren were commissioned by the President on Sunday evening, September 10, in Holy Trinity Church, New York city, the Rev. Charles J. Smith, pastor.

Miss Agatha Marie Dorothea Tatge, daughter of William and Engle Koeritz Tatge, born in Chicago, is a graduate nurse, who has taken a special course for Superintending Nurses at Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York, from which she was graduated in the spring of 1911, after which she took a practical course in a New York hospital. She is sent out to take charge of the department of nursing in the new hospital at Rajahmundry. She was commissioned by the president of the Board on Sunday morning, September 10, in the Church of the Advent, New York City, the Rev. William M. Horn, pastor.

Miss Margaret Cecelia Haupt, a daughter of the Rev. Dr. A. J. D. Haupt, was born in St. Paul, Minn., while her father was a pastor in that city. She spent the fall and winter of 1910-11 at the Mary J. Drexel Home and Motherhouse of Deaconesses, Philadelphia, as a student in the special course arranged for the training of women missionaries. She was commissioned on Sunday morning, September 10, in the First Lutheran Church, Pittsburgh, the Rev. George J. Gongaware, D.D., pastor, by the General Secretary of the Board.

In this connection the Board desires to express its sincere thanks for the excellent care of Miss Haupt and for the instruction given her at the Mary J. Drexel Home without cost to the Board or the candidate. We hope to avail ourselves of the standing offer of this institution to give our women candidates a special training in Biblical knowledge, by sending a number of young ladies there this fall.

7. INDIA MISSION MISCELLANY.

Resignation of the Rev. Mr. Beussel.—The Rev. Theodore R. Beussel was called by the Board at its meeting in September, 1910, and commissioned in St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., the Rev. J. J. Heischmann, D.D., pastor, on October 9, 1910. He arrived at Rajahmundry on November 23, 1910. His discontent with the work of a foreign missionary in India was shown very soon after his arrival on the field, and culminated in his resignation, dated April 2, 1911, to take effect July 1, 1911. The Board, satisfied of his unfitness, at once accepted his resignation.

Division of Bhimawaram District Contemplated.—The division of the Bhimawaram district has been urged by our missionaries, and will be effected as soon as our force of missionaries is large enough to permit it.

Rangoon, Burma.—We have the report of the Rev. Mr. Kuder concerning his investigations in Rangoon and vicinity, and his recommendation is to place an agent in that city. We are prepared to do so, and solicit the support of this worker by some congregation or school.

Native Pastor.—The ordination of our sixth native pastor, Pantagani

Paradesi, January 15, 1911, in Augustana Church, Samulkot, his installation as pastor of St. Paul's Church, Rajahmundry, immediately thereafter, and his successful work in Rajahmundry, leads us to anticipate the ordination of others, who are recommended as worthy candidates for the holy office; and while we do not expect that every graduate of the Theological School, which is to be established, will be ordained, we look forward to a much higher standard of theological training and a more rapid increase of native pastors, as a result of the work of this school.

Augustana Church, Samulkot.—The new Augustana Church at Samulkot is the gift of the Foreign Missionary Society of Augustana College and Seminary in Rock Island, Illinois, and we, herewith, most heartily thank the students of these institutions for their generous support. They have, also, contributed $1,079.88 for the new Boys' High School at Peddapur, and are ever on the alert to help some worthy cause in the mission.

Boundary Line Dispute.—In 1906 our missionaries on the field entered into an agreement with those of the neighboring Canadian Baptist Mission concerning definite boundaries, especially in our Dowlaishwaram and Bhimawaram districts. In consequence of our more active cultivation of the Jaggampet district, complaint was lodged against our missionary in that district. The Baptists claimed that the 1906 agreement had been violated, and after an unsuccessful attempt to settle the dispute in India, the case was appealed to the Home Boards. The General Secretary and the Rev. Mr. Neudoerffer met the officers of the Canadian Baptist Mission Board in Toronto, on October 7, 1910. At this conference, and subsequently on its recommendation, the 1906 agreement was reaffirmed by the respective Boards, as the best possible solution for the present of this difficult matter. More ample definitions were added to the clause defining the basis of comity, and our missionaries were requested to agree with the Baptist missionaries on definite boundary lines, where such do not as yet exist. Our missionaries have not been able to do so, and the matter is still under discussion.

PART II.

Our Telugu Mission in India.

The Board asked for a short report from our Telugu Mission in India, which it might incorporate in its report to the General Council. The Rev. C. F. Kuder was appointed editor of this report by the Mission Council in India. After the missionaries had read and approved it, it was sent to the Board which herewith presents it as it was prepared in India.

THE MISSIONARIES.

	Names.	*Date of Arrival.*	*Work.*
1.	Miss Agnes I. Schade	1890	Girls' Central School.
2.	Rev. C. F. Kuder, M.A.	1891-1908	Boys' Central School.
3.	Rev. R. Arps, B.D.	1893	Dowlaishwaram District.
4.	Rev. H. E. Isaacson, D.D.	1893	Samulkot District.

	Names	Date of Arrival	Work.
5.	Miss L. Woerner, M.D.	1899	Hospital and Dispensary.
6.	Rev. E. Neudoerffer	1900	On Furlough.
7.	Miss E. L. Weiskotten	1900	Hindu Girls' Schools.
8.	Miss S. E. Monroe	1902	Zenana Work.
9.	Rev. K. L. Wolters	1904	Tadepelligudem District.
10.	Rev. O. O. Eckardt	1906	Jaggampet District.
11.	Rev. O. L. Larson	1906	Tallapudi District.
12.	Miss A. B. Rohrer, M.D.	1908	Medical Work.
13.	Miss B. A. Nilsson, M.D	1908	Medical Work.
14.	Miss S. A. Esberhn	1908	Zenana Work.
15.	Rev. O. V. Werner, M.A.	1911	Under Appointment.
16.	Rev. F. W. Schaefer	1911	Under Appointment.
17.	Miss A. Tatge	1911	Under Appointment.
18.	Miss M. Haupt	1911	Under Appointment.

Miss Schade was on furlough the greater part of the biennium. During her absence the school was efficiently cared for by Dr. Rohrer. Mr. Kuder, in addition to the school at Luthergiri, has charge of various other activities. Mr. Arps, besides looking after his district, superintended the erection of the hospital buildings, and has now gone on furlough. Mr. Isaacson, during Mr. Neudoerffer's absence, assisted by Mr. Wolters, looked after the populous Bhimawaram District. Miss Monroe returned from furlough towards the close of 1909. Mr. Eckardt superintends the Korukonda District in addition to his own. Dr. Rohrer, in addition to caring for the Girls' Central School from July, 1909, continued her study of Telugu and passed the final examination in November of the same year with credit. Since January of the present year she is in the Punjab for practical work in a large hospital. Dr. Nilsson prosecuted the study of Telugu with success, but interrupted it during the early part of 1909 for a course under a distinguished specialist in Madras in the diseases and treatment of the eye, then returned and relieved and afterwards assisted Dr. Woerner, and yet, at the end of the usual two years, passed her final examination in Telugu with credit. Since then she is associated in the medical work. Miss Esberhn studied Telugu with the greatest assiduity and creditably passed her final examination eighteen months after her arrival in the country, last June, since when she is associated with Miss Monroe in the Zenana department.

DEATHS OF MISSIONARIES.

The biennium witnessed the death of two of our former missionaries, the Rev. J. H. Harpster, D.D., and the Rev. H. C. Schmidt, D.D. Concerning them the Mission Council took the following action:

AN APPRECIATION.

Three men in the history of the Rajahmundry Mission have in the eyes of the Church stood out among their fellows. Of these, the first,

Dr. C. F. Heyer, has long since been gathered to his fathers and his works do follow him.

The second was the Rev. Hans Christian Schmidt, D.D., who departed this life on March 6, 1911. Others in other places have given the salient facts of his life. Our endeavor shall be to fix the place of Dr. Schmidt in this mission and the value of his services to it. He came first to Rajahmundry on August 4, 1870, when the only missionary to greet him was Father Heyer. Six months later Father Heyer, under the weight of many years, left the country never to return. The strength of the mission then was 241 adult Christians living in nine villages, and nine teachers. The buildings were dilapidated and the mission had but a slender hold on the interest and support of the Church at home. It was the most critical time in the entire history of the mission, and during the first decennium a living martyrdom for its missionaries. But in spite of every discouragement Dr. Schmidt and his colleague remained at their posts of duty; and God mightily blessed their slender means, so that before the close of the decade another bungalow, a church and a house-boat had been added to the material equipment of the mission, and the number of adherents more than doubled. It seems to us, that it was in this period that Dr. Schmidt rendered the most valuable service in his life. The temptation to leave the work amidst so much discouragement and apathy on the part of the Church that had inaugurated it, can scarcely have been wanting; and had he left, the probability is very strong that the work would have been permanently abandoned and the foreign mission activity of the General Council diverted to some other field. The credit of being the real founder or, at least, savior of the mission, belongs far more truly to him than to Father Heyer. The latter was a bird of passage; the former came to stay and give permanence to the work.

In the eighties reinforcements began to come, and with their advent interest in the work grew at home. The path, therefore, became easier, but the economy and the careful expenditure Dr. Schmidt had been forced to practice in the first decade of his service, adhered to him always. He was a wise buyer, a cheap builder, a shrewd manager; and much of the excellent property now owned by the mission is the fruit of his foresight. As a fellow-missionary, he was genial and easy to get along with. His long experience with new missionaries, all of whom for a period of thirty years he was here to welcome, made him patient and sympathetic with them. He was quick to recognize merit and rejoiced in it for the sake of the mission. His judgment was safe and his tenacity of purpose great. Connected for so many years with the mission, there is scarcely a phase of its work today that does not, to a greater or less extent, bear his impress. After his withdrawal from the mission he lived in dignified and contented retirement, dividing his time between his home on the hills and that of his daughter in the Breklum Mission. His failing health was quite obvious to his many friends throughout the last year of his life, and the end was quiet and peaceful.

The third of the three was the Rev. John Henry Harpster, D.D., whose

connection with this mission dated from 1902. That was a time of great difficulty, and the task set him was one of unusual responsibility, involving transfer and reorganization. Friction seemed inevitable. Frequently he had to shape his course to fit rules, for which he had not been responsible; and the wonder is, that with such burdens on his shoulders he succeeded as well as he did. Ninety-nine other men in a hundred would have failed utterly. Had his disposition been less generous, his spirit less sanguine, his patience less lasting, he would have left the field in confusion worse confounded, instead of on the highroad to harmonious co-operation and general good-will. Arguments there were, to be sure, but through them all strongly pulsed the beat of a courteous man's warm friendship. As a missionary he was indefatigable, as a preacher eloquent and inspiring. He labored in season and out to inculcate self-support. Altogether this was a man to love. He left the work worn out by his many burdens; and when the news of his passing came, there was not a heart in the mission that was not the sadder for it.

THE MISSION UNDERMANNED.

The oft-repeated cry that this mission is undermanned may once more be repeated. It is altogether probable that no other mission in India, perhaps none in the world, has so few missionaries in proportion to the number of Christians as this one,—and the Guntur Mission. Concerning Lutheran missions in South India the following tabulated statement will be illuminating:

Mission.	No. of Ordained Missionaries.	Christians	No. of Christians to Every Ordained Missionary.
Leipsic	30	22,000	733
Danish	11	1,286	117
Hermannsburg	17	3,118	183
Guntur	12	40,000	3,333
Breklum	21	11,556	550
Rajahmundry	7	16,953	2,423

The disparity becomes yet greater when one looks at the number of native pastors. In the same order as above they are: 28, 5, 3, 3, 0, 3. Again if one missionary goes on furlough or is engaged solely in educational work, the burden on the others in a mission with a few missionaries will be much more increased than in one with many missionaries. At this writing four ordained missionaries and one native pastor in the mission are charged with the oversight of 16,577 souls, living many miles apart. It is needless to say that the task is too great for them.

The result of having many missionaries is that the converts are kept in leading-strings too long. What they should do or learn to do, the missionaries do. On the other hand, the missionaries have time for literary work and for studying the indigenous religions. The result of having too few missionaries is that, for want of time, the work is often both superficial and neglected; but such shorthandedness has the ad-

vantage, quite manifest in this mission, of developing native agents, inasmuch as they have to do much that the missionaries have no time to do; and they learn by doing. Between too many and too few missionaries the right course is, as always, the happy medium. To attain to that this mission can easily absorb ten more ordained missionaries. One missionary for every two thousand Christians cannot be called an immoderate aspiration.

Our work has been extensive. It must continue to be so as a matter of course; but it should become four-fold more intensive, or we shall have a heathen church instead of a Christian one. Interest, support and generalship at home are no less necessary than statesmanship in India.

MOHAMMEDANS AND CASTE PEOPLE.

The foregoing answers the Board's specific inquiry as to the feasibility of undertaking work among Mohammedans and caste people. Concerning the former it may be said in general, that the consensus of missionaries in South India is, that in view of the small percentage of Mohammedan population (about five per cent.), and of the energetic propaganda of Islam in Africa and its success, that continent should be made the object of special Christian mission endeavor.

In particular it is the unanimous opinion of our missionaries that to divert a part of the efforts of our small staff, unable to cope with its present responsibilities, is neither desirable nor wise; but if there be a very marked increase of missionaries, both male and female, work among the Moslems of the vicinity might properly be inaugurated, inasmuch as we are debtors to all. Work, if begun, should be begun simultaneously among men and women. The absence of either renders the other ineffective. It is better that this attempt should be born full-fledged than as a starveling, destined to years of inanition and barrenness. It is usually regarded as undesirable that a missionary should undertake to work among both Mohammedans and Hindus. The literature, cultus and, to a large extent in this vicinity, the language of the two classes differ too widely to allow him to be successful in either, if he undertakes both. On this subject Mr. Larson writes: "The number of Mohammedans is not large and those with whom I have come into contact are quite ignorant of their own religion and are to a great extent hinduized. They are well represented in our audiences when we preach the gospel in the village streets; and the children of many of them attend our mission schools. They have the same opportunities to embrace Christianity as Hindus, among whom we work and with whom they mingle. With the force of workers at our disposal, foreign as well as native, it seems wisest to devote, as heretofore, most of our time to the classes who are most receptive,—the Panchamas and the Sudras."

As for special effort among caste people, this mission deprecates, on the whole, any attitude that assumes that they are a specially desirable class, and that specific and peculiar efforts are either necessary or desirable to bring them into the fold of the Church. Our obligation to them

in no wise differs from that to the thousands of lowlier people in our territory; and the fact is, as shall also appear presently, that we are doing as little for the latter as for the former. In the beginning our message was addressed equally to all. The Panchamas responded and, therefore, the caste man stood aloof. The missionaries and, I dare say, the Holy Spirit, followed the line of least resistance; and the work developed to its present proportions chiefly among the Panchama classes. What is needed for the winning alike of the caste people and the rest of the Panchamas is not any special machinery, but a substantial increase of the agencies hitherto employed, that is, more missionaries and more Indian assistants, so that not all their time and strength will be absorbed in the care of those already won. In entire harmony with this view Mr. Larson writes: "It is our duty to preach the gospel to the high as well as the low castes—to 'every creature'; but the missionaries' strength and activity are limited. Our fields are too large or, more correctly, the missionaries are too few. Their efforts find a more ready response among the lowly, the miserable and the poor, who know and acknowledge that they need the Saviour, than among the proud and self-sufficient high-caste people. But it is also true that there are not only opportunities to work among high-caste people, but it is also the God-given duty of the Church to do so; and in order to fulfil this duty it must send more men, —men who shall have time to study these people and their Shastras. Even then I should not look for immediately gratifying results."

THE WORK OF THE MISSION.

There is no phase of work in the mission that is not either pastoral or evangelistic. The one is the care of the souls won; the other, efforts to win those hitherto unwon. Under these two heads the work will be presented. The former includes practically all of the work of the ordained missionaries, whether in the districts or in Rajahmundry, as well as the Girls' Central School. Under the latter come the Medical and Zenana departments and the Hindu Girls' schools. These two divisions are not wholly exclusive mutually; but the work, especially the personal efforts of the ordained men, which is of an evangelistic character, is restricted to a minimum, because the care of converts absorbs nearly their whole time; while the endeavors of the Zenana department with reference to Christians is limited to one Bible Woman's activity, and that of the medical department, to the physical care of those of the mission who avail themselves of it. This is not meant as a criticism of these departments, for they are designed to be primarily evangelistic agencies and are doing for Christians all that can be reasonably expected. But when we turn to the men's work, we cannot but lament that its character is perforce so little evangelistic, at least in certain parts of our territory. To be specific, the brethren Isaacson and Wolters during the greater part of the biennium have together been charged with the care of over 12,000 Christians, living in 260 villages, in a territory of which the remotest parts are over a hundred miles apart. "We could visit no village oftener

than once and some never," they write. Mr. Arps, in addition to the oversight of 2,330 Christians in 100 villages, superintended the erection of our new and splendid hospital buildings,—a task that required his presence often daily. The brethren Eckardt and Larson have as yet a smaller number of converts and could, therefore, and did devote more of their time to evangelistic effort, and, be it added, with encouraging results. The missionary in Rajahmundry, a city of about 50,000 souls, charged with the care of two large schools, the congregation, the printery and the book-store, with editing and translating, with the correspondence and the administration of the mission, is, it will perhaps be conceded, fairly busy. Add to all this the committee work and the correspondence that each of the missionaries has to attend to, and it will be quite apparent that often the "word fitly spoken in season" cannot be spoken. Oh, that Zion would wake and put on her strength! Then, with more missionaries, darkness in our territory would flee away and the desert rejoice and blossom as the rose! Many, many are ready for the gospel. The fields are white unto harvest, and much grain is perishing for want of reaping.

The Bhimawaram District.—Of the Bhimawaram District, Mr. Isaacson says, he "could relate many things of a bright and cheerful character, and also others that might be of a gloomy and depressive nature." Native agents lack the qualifications essential for efficient supervision; therefore, three more missionaries or, in any case, not less than two more will be needed. "The atmosphere of India is surcharged with Hindu and heathen ideas, and our evangelists and catechists would profit greatly by instruction in a simple Biblical course. Better apparatus for the schools is being supplied. The Haas' lands should be sold as quickly as possible, because they are a hindrance to spiritual progress in this district." All the missionaries agree on this point. The church in Bhimawaram should be completed and somewhat beautified; it looks like a barn. The full liturgical service should be more generally introduced. With respect to self-support, the people can be induced to give, if properly instructed in the great privilege of giving; but pledges should be discouraged and only actual cash contributions counted. With a better and stronger supervision, both European and native, the future in this district looks very bright.

Mr. Wolters, who was associated with Mr. Isaacson in the care of this district since Mr. Neudoerffer's departure on furlough, in the main corroborates the foregoing. "The district," he says, "is too large. We find village after village with Christians, some congregations numbering 200 or 300, or even more members. It is next to impossible to visit them all even once a year, and exercise the right oversight over them." There are over one hundred villages having native Christians and over a hundred native helpers. The number of baptisms one day reached 86; and there is rarely a village which has less than eight or ten candidates ready when the missionary comes. "It seems to us, however, that in spiritual life and in discipline the Bhimawaram district is not so far advanced as the

smaller districts in the Mission, a fact primarily due not to any lack of zeal or efficiency in those who have worked faithfully in this district, but to two reasons; the one, the land question; the other, the lack of missionaries working in this populous territory. As long as the people see in the missionary nothing but a land-agent or a provider of temporal things, he is absolutely prevented from doing them spiritual good. If the main question with the people is, who shall have this or that piece of land, —there will be no time to discuss the Heavenly Land."

At the end of 1910, 9,667 members of our mission were reported from this district, an increase of 1,066 in the biennium. In free-will offerings there is a decrease of Rs. 700, the total for 1910 being Rs. 4,616.* In other respects there have been a gradual and normal growth and development.

The Tadepalligudem District.—The superintendent of this district, Mr. Wolter, says: "The year has been full of labor and also of blessing. We managed to see every village where there are Christians, some where there are none, at least once; but we did not succeed in visiting every village in the much larger Bhimawaram district, although we traveled double time and were at the head-station hardly ever more than four days consecutively." His diary contains an unbroken record of pastoral and ministerial acts. The schools have been improved and, in consequence, the grants from the government enhanced. The ability of the teachers and other agents is steadily improving, but "many parents cannot yet see that their children ought to be instructed." In some cases religious instruction is inferior; but Mr. Wolters was astonished the other day in a village where a girl was brought for baptism, who on being questioned in the Catechism, showed such a knowledge of the Christian religion and such an insight into its teachings, as he has hardly met even among those who were prepared for confirmation in Rajahmundry. Progress has been made, also, in congregational life. The full liturgy has been introduced; and when he comes to a village now, he finds hearty responses and a growing interest in the preaching of the Word of God. He must to a large extent depend on his catechists and evangelists for the oversight and attention required by the congregations; and is happy to report that there are now quite a number of efficient men who are not only willing to work, but also able to do something. Progress has been made toward self-support, but not so much as desired. No congregation is as yet sufficiently advanced to be self-supporting. Nevertheless, contributions have increased. More teachers have been placed, but there are still a number of villages with Christians, that are not provided for; and many villages have not been reached for lack of time. The missionary hopes to visit them when he is relieved from duty in the Bhimawaram district.

The year 1910 closed with 1,410 Christians, as compared with 1,221 in 1908, a gain of 189 in the biennium. The free-will offerings were Rs. 359.

*Divide the number of Rupees by three (3) to get the number of dollars. One Rupee is equal in value to thirty-three cents.

In 1908 Rs. 769 were reported. The total local income of the district in 1910 was Rs. 1,353.

The Tallapudi District.—Mr. Larson reports, that the work is slow about supporting itself on account of the poverty of the native Christians, and because it takes time to educate them to contribute as they should and could. Patience, perseverance and system will aid in bringing about the desired results. During the first three months of the current year there has been a marked increase in the amounts contributed. Some schools were found to be too poor to justify their existence and were discontinued. There are only two schools less than reported two years ago, while the number of children attending them is larger. Special efforts have been made to organize Sunday-schools in all parts of the district, in many cases with gratifying, in others, with indifferent results. The number of inquirers is steadily increasing, and to care for them and "our large number of new Christians, we need more teachers and evangelists, not to mention missionaries. There is a movement among the Sudras in this part of the mission towards Christianity. An agent was recently appointed to work exclusively among them, and "though the harvest may be far distant, we sow in hope."

The free-will offerings reported are as follows: In 1909 Rs. 151; in 1910 Rs. 221. Other local receipts in 1910 were Rs. 1,000, making a total of Rs. 1,221 for the year. The accessions to the Church in 1909 were 51; in 1910, 153; in the first quarter of the present year, 230; total, 434. There are now 1,521 Christians in the district, a gain of 416 for the biennium.

The Jaggampet and Korukonda Districts.—Of these districts the missionary, Mr. Eckardt, writes, that there are now about fifty workers. "This force is twice as large as it was three years ago, yet it is small when compared with the size of the territory. There is also room for one or two additional missionaries." The work is as yet largely evangelistic, a fact which makes touring a necessary feature. Steps have been taken to assure systematic Bible study by the agents; and the schools have been put on a results basis, that is, the teachers' salaries are not fixed amounts, but depend on the results of their work, which is a plan deserving more general introduction. The two districts number 603 members of our mission, an apparent increase of 106 for the biennium, but a real increase of over 200, the figures given in 1908 needing revision. The offerings ran up to Rs. 137, as compared with Rs. 89 reported in 1908; and the income from other sources was Rs. 595, making a total of Rs. 732 for the year. The work in this part of the mission was for many years attended to in a sort of a left-handed way, but is now making more rapid progress under its indefatigable missionary.

The Dowlaishwaram District.—Concerning this district, Mr. Arps writes that "ten years ago one missionary was hardly enough for this district, but now that during the decade the number of Christians has risen from 700 to 2,333, one man cannot give the necessary care to it." Accessions of young teachers made it possible to increase the number of

evangelists, of whom all deserve commendation. Mr. Arps rejoices that the attainments of the agents improve from year to year. Evangelistic work is one of the pressing needs, and if he had Rs. 80 more a month at his command, it would enable nine experienced and well-qualified men to devote all their time to spreading the holy gospel systematically and regularly in sixty-four villages. A number of villages are ready to pay part of the salary of an evangelist, provided he lives among them, in order that they may hear more regularly about Christ. "This I should like to call the panting of the heart after the waterbrooks, the thirst for the Living God. God grant that we may not be found wanting in the time of great opportunity!" Mr. Arps has inaugurated an original and, it seems, an effective scheme to bring about self-support. Villagers desiring a school must bring a petition on stamped (legal) paper, pledging themselves to pay a portion of the teacher's salary. If they fail to live up to the pledge, the teacher is withdrawn. There are now eleven villages so helping in the support of their schools; and the aim is to introduce the method into all the villages in the district. The people are comparatively well off and can easily do it.

The number of Christians is 2,292, a gain of 131 in the biennium. The offerings amounted to Rs. 844, compared with Rs. 879 in 1907-08. The total receipts for 1910 in this district were Rs. 2,013.

The Samulkot District.—Mr. Isaacson says, that the greatest event was the building of the beautiful Augustana Church which was consecrated on January 15, 1911. "It stands as a victory of the Cross. It is an oasis in this heathen wilderness. It is a fortress from which to bombard the enemy. A few good churches are needed as external symbols of the firmness and stability of the Christian religion." Another great event is the beginning of the erection of a substantial building for the Peddapur High School. "This will be a second fortress to safeguard our field. If the friends at home could realize the situation here, the money needed for this school would be forthcoming immediately. Our enemies who are diverse, can be checked only by good and heavy obstacles." During the biennium 333 persons have been received into the Church by baptism in this district, a great gain in view of the hardness of the field, and the more so, since all worldly motives have been conspicuous by their absence. Other fields may have had larger accessions, but a sifting, were it possible, would show that slower progress without secular inducements will, in the end, bear better fruit. The heathen leaven is not eradicated by a stroke of the pen, but by thorough grounding in the teachings of the Christian religion. The teachers and evangelists, filled with the Holy Spirit, are spreading the gospel in season and out of season; and this district has a great and glorious future.

The biennium closed with 1,314 Christians, a net gain of 361 since 1908. The offerings in 1910 were Rs. 806 against Rs. 398 in 1907-08. The marked increase is due to special contributions for the new church building. Receipts from other local sources in 1910 bring the total up to Rs. 1,424.

St. Paul's Church, Rajahmundry.—Of St. Paul's Church it may be said

that the attempt at self-support may safely be called successful. The congregation has borne all its expenses during the biennium, has increased its offerings for benevolent purposes and, notwithstanding, has a larger balance in the treasury at the end of the biennium than it had at the beginning, when it was still a nurseling of the mission. There is a considerable fund on hand towards the erection of an orphanage, for which the Easter offerings throughout the mission this year are to be devoted. The measure of self-support attained was possible, it must be stated in fairness, without the contributions of the missionaries who worship in Rajahmundry. The average annual contribution must have been nearly Rs. 3 per member. Self-government, too, has been shown to be possible. Leading-strings are, of course, still necessary, but not swaddling-clothes. The church council has maintained good discipline and is universally respected. Its members display sound judgment, erring neither on the side of too great laxity, nor of too great severity. The most noteworthy fact to be chronicled is the election and calling by the congregation of its own pastor, and guaranteeing him a support of Rs. 35 a month. The pastor-elect was ordained in January, 1911, at the annual meeting of the Telugu Conference in Samulkot, and was subsequently installed. This is to be regarded as a long step forward, and as an example well worthy of a more general introduction throughout the mission. The church is too small to hold either congregation or Sunday-school. Since the beginning of this year there has been regular preaching in one of the caste quarters, and this will be continued as soon as the schools re-open.

The biennium closed with a membership of 356 souls, exclusive of boarding-school children and teachers attending the training school. During the preceding two years, Rs. 830 were contributed by the congregation. The contributions in 1910 were Rs. 684; in 1909, Rs. 644; a total of Rs. 1,328 for the biennium, exclusive of the Sunday-school contributions.

Thus the numerical strength of the mission at the end of 1910 was 16,953 souls. Adding the 230 baptized by Mr. Larson and those baptized by others during the first three months of the present year, the total at this writing is probably about 17,500. This represents a gain for the biennium of 2,082; 9,926 are communicants, as compared with 9,257 two years ago. The congregational and other local receipts appear in the following comparative tabulation:

	Congregational Contributions.	Other Receipts.	Total.
1909	Rs. 4,846	18,404	23,250
1910	4,934	22,688	27,622
Total, 1909-10.....	9,780	41,092	50,872
Total, 1907-08.....	7,320	36,022	43,342

THE EDUCATIONAL WORK.

Turning now to the educational phase of the work it may be pointed out that at the end of 1910 there were 211 schools in the mission, attended by 2,795 Christians and 3,394 non-Christians, taught by 267 Christian

teachers, and in the case of a few schools by a small number of non-Christian teachers. Of these schools the most important are the two Central schools, the one for girls and the other for boys, and the Training School for Masters, all in Rajahmundry.

The Girls' Central School.—Dr. Rohrer, who was in charge of it during the furlough of Miss Schade, says: "Its work divides itself into three parts: Secular training, home training and spiritual training, all related and useless each without the other." Being new to the work she had to learn the how of it,—a task not rendered more easy by constant changes both in the curriculum and in the inspectional staff; but surmounted "after a bit of floundering." The school during the past year was attended by 180 pupils, the high-water mark in its history, of whom 140 were boarders. Of the day pupils, six were Hindus, two being widows. Much interest was aroused in garden, house and home management, as well as in preventive medicine and hygiene. Not simply "learning" was aimed at, but education in its broadest sense, and neatness, accuracy, honesty, punctuality, self-control and self-reliance were emphasized. The result of the examinations was very gratifying. As to home-training, the aim of the school to make good housewives and mothers was not forgotten, so little, in fact, that the girls must have thought that, to the manager's mind, cleanliness was godliness, and not "next to godliness." It took no little patience and firmness to make them keep the walls comparatively free from finger-marks, the corners from dust, the lamp-stands polished. The Edinburgh Conference Report well says, "The influence of the hostel must be a personal influence." The appointment of a young girl of the class of 1909 as matron was attended with excellent results. "She spoke loudest by her splendid example and was loved and obeyed by all." "We tried also to inculcate ideals of purity, truthfulness, honor and true Christian womanliness. "We did not reach our ideal by any means; but not failure but low aim is sin." Ample provision was made for the spiritual training of the inmates of the institution, and met with a most gratifying response, especially from the more advanced girls. "The daily round, the common task are the best test of living faith. We had many opportunities to note growth in grace and to see the power which the gospel of Jesus Christ has to transform lives and make them beautiful."

The Boys' Central School and the Training School for Masters.—These represent what the mission does towards qualifying boys and men for its service. At the end of 1908 thirteen youths were sent out as teachers; at the end of 1909, nine; and at the end of last year, fourteen, none of whom had been in our service before; and a number of old teachers have been normally trained. There is nothing new or unusual to report about the Central School. It holds to the even tenor of its way with, it is hoped, increasing efficiency. The results of the annual examination were distinctly good. The average age of the pupil is steadily decreasing; and the number of those able to take the High School course, either partly or wholly, is increasing proportionately. During the past year fifteen former students of the institution continued their studies in high schools, some

at their own expense, others at that of our locally supported "Beneficiary Fund." High School education is one of the best forms of investing mission funds. Firm adherence to a well matured religious course in the Boys' Central School has resulted in awakening much interest, and in the development of Christian character. Ideals and aspirations have been raised. There are a number of boys, in fact the majority, for whom no urging to diligence nor rebuke of conduct is necessary, who, therefore, display an example of the greatest power in India today,—the Christian religion.

The Training School is only in its third year. In 1909 twenty-one students underwent training; in 1910 the number rose to 56, and "might easily have been nearly doubled, had we had either room or inclination"; and this year there are 76. The first two years the school was maintained without expense to the mission treasury. This year the Board was asked for and promised to give Rs. 2,600, but the mission is realizing nearly twice that sum from grants to it, so that it again costs nothing. A larger building has been promised by the Board, for which plans and estimates are being prepared.

The Braun Industrial Printery.—Its object is partly to produce such literature as the mission needs for its members and partly to give honorable work to them. The efficiency of the plant has been much increased during the biennium, and the character of the work done has been improved. Useful books have been printed, among others, "Bible Story" and Dr. Stump's Catechism, and there is ample work ahead. Three full series of beautiful and excellent English type were the further fruit of Mr. Wm. P. M. Braun's generosity, and much of the profits of Rs. 1,500 during the biennium was used for the acquisition of Telugu type, cases and other necessities. The press—a demy cylinder—is too small to cope with the work in hand and obtainable, and the purchase of one double the size has been contemplated, but is held in temporary check by the lack of room.

The work in Rajahmundry now in the hands of one missionary should be divided among three: One for the distinctive pastoral and evangelistic work; one for the Luthergiri school; and a third for the Training school, the printery and other miscellaneous work. At present nothing gets the attention it requires and deserves.

Lace Work.—The lace work, also, belongs to the pastoral part of the mission's endeavors. Its aim is in no sense evangelistic. It is restricted to Christian women, for the amelioration of whose poverty and for the general improvement of whom, it is designed. It owes its inception to Mrs. Schmidt, but received its greatest impetus from Mrs. Harpster, who, on her departure, handed it over to Mrs. Neudoerffer, from whom it passed in turn to Mrs. Isaacson. It grows to larger dimensions almost visibly from day to day, and the time is not far distant, when other than the hitherto voluntary and unrecognized arrangements for its oversight must be made. Mrs. Isaacson writes, that though it is not an incorporated branch of the mission work, it gives her much pleasure to report about it, and it should be a pleasure, as it doubtless is, to its patrons at home,

to know that they are helping to raise the Christians socially, morally and religiously; socially, because poverty is the great problem in India among the non-property possessing classes, to which our Christians belong; morally, because a good deal of truth and character-building are involved in earnest and honest lace-making; religiously, because it teaches cleanliness, self-help and self-reliance, and affords constant opportunity to speak to the women about all manner of spiritual subjects, especially the Ten Commandments. They need to be drilled in them again and again to realize that they are something that should be followed out and not merely learnt by heart. Mrs. Isaacson adds: "The work has grown enormously, and it takes almost the whole time of the one in charge to attend to it, and yet one feels that it is not receiving sufficient attention. If in the future it continues to grow at the same rate, it should be organized and a few women engaged to superintend it." The receipts from March, 1910, to April, 1911, were Rs. 6,362; the disbursements, Rs. 5,892, leaving a profit of Rs. 470. The work is entirely self-supporting and from the earnings two little girls from our mission are being educated in Madras. Of greater value to the mission than the monetary profit are the habits of honest industry and cleanliness, which the work inculcates, and the financial help it brings to the native women and their families.

THE EVANGELISTIC WORK.

The Hindu Girls' Schools.—This work is a phase of the work of the Zenana department, to which it is, to a certain extent, correlated. "A number of families, whose daughters have passed through our schools, are being visited by the Bible women. We wish that regular Bible instruction could be given in all such homes, but that would necessitate a larger number of Bible women, who now (in 1909), teach in forty-nine homes, from which our pupils come," writes Miss Weiskotten. This work, like all other in the mission, had a small beginning, and has now grown to six schools, attended by 291 pupils. Instruction, thus far, has been limited to the five lowest classes. Provision should be made for an additional class in at least one school. The value to the mission of this agency cannot well be over-estimated. Although no additions to the Church can, as yet, be pointed to as the direct fruit of these schools, it would be difficult to say how much they have done "to break down the middle wall of partition" between Christianity and Hinduism. "Sometime ago when visiting a family, where neither Bible woman nor medical missionary had ever been, I could not but wonder at the change which had gradually come about in that house. The first time I went there, several years ago, when the little daughter was reading in the infant class, they were so exclusive, that I thought,—will I ever be admitted into that house? Now, as mother and daughters and some friends gathered around to hear the gospel message, the truth of that beautiful passage in Isaiah came to mind, 'And a little child shall lead them.' A girl that now will scarcely be permitted to go to one of these schools, will, when she has daughters of her own, not only not object, but even

urge them to go; and in the third generation there will almost certainly be tangible fruits. But the stage has been reached in this, as in many other of our undertakings, where an additional forward step is necessary. The Church at home and the mission here have said A, and should now promptly say B, and even C. Not to do so is to dally with opportunity, not to say to trifle with responsibility."

Zenana Work.—The Zenana department, now under the direction of Miss Monroe, with whom Miss Esberhn is associated, has experienced a decided revivification during the biennium. It suffered a severe blow in the preceding one by the death of the lamented Miss Charlotte Swenson, after which there was no one to devote her whole time to it. It was then added to the already arduous duties of Miss Schade, who was obliged a year later to leave her work for sorely needed rest; and it was then, with the rest of her work, entrusted to Dr. Rohrer, who had been in the country less than a year and a half and was burdened, in addition, with the acquisition of the language. Toward the end of 1909 our devoted and faithful Miss Monroe returned and took hold of the helm. Since then there has been a steady growth of interest and activity. She writes: "Teaching the gospel to Hindu women in their dwellings is what is usually understood by the expression, Zenana work. Daily, except Saturday and Sunday, between twelve and one o'clock, the Bible women wend their way through the labyrinth of narrow lanes to the houses where they teach. A Christian hymn is sung and explained, the women listening with interest. The lesson is then taught. Some can give an account of the previous lesson, but others say, 'Think of all that we must do each day! How can we remember for a whole week?' In Rajahmundry, exclusive of the part known as Aryapuram, upwards of 200 houses are visited weekly by the five Bible women, in which a varying number of women are reached. The work requires perseverance, faith and courage. Two additional Bible women were employed in Rajahmundry, and one in Dowlaishwaram, where 142 women are reached with a weekly Bible lesson. Visits have been made also in Kovur, just across the river from Rajahmundry. Among our hearers we find the indifferent, the curious, the respectful, the interested, and the responsive. Usually they show respectful interest; now and then we find houses, in which, at least the women seem to have true love to God and faith in the Redeemer, but they seem to think that they cannot break away from ancient customs. 'We cannot marry our children,' they say. 'We cannot become outcasts.' Recently a woman in a home handed me a slip of paper, on which was written, 'We have found the way of the Great King with the gentle face, who died and rose again for us.' Sayama, the caste woman, who was baptized in 1907, in reply to my question as to her name, when I returned, smilingly said, 'I am God's child.' There are doubtless many true believers among these women, who no longer worship idols, and who rejoice in the great salvation through Jesus Christ. When will the day come, when they will be willing openly to avow their faith? Then we must be in a position to offer them a

refuge, if cast out from their own families. There does not seem to be much prospect for work among Mohammedan women, for which, moreover, one must know Hindustani. One Bible woman devotes her time to the teaching of Christian women, who recently were received into the Church,—a work well received and necessary to a much greater extent than possible hitherto."

Of the work in Aryapuram, Miss Esberhn says: "It is progressing slowly, the women becoming more and more interested. It is encouraging to note how well some of them remember the lessons. Among our pupils was a young woman who was very indifferent in the beginning, but for some time has been listening very earnestly. One day while we were teaching in her house, a heathen woman, seeing us sitting near the door, came in from the street. On her inquiring about whom we were teaching, I began to tell her about the Saviour, but our pupil in her eagerness took the words out of my mouth, and taught Christ wonderfully well. She has never expressed a desire to become a Christian, but she has understood; and when God's time comes, the Word which is closed up in her heart, will be ready for the work of the Holy Spirit. We constantly gain and lose houses. A week seldom passes without someone asking us to come and teach in their home; but after a few lessons their curiosity is satisfied and they close their doors again. We have the same experience as the sower in the parable, only it seems as though so very much seed falls on the wayside. But I know that in many of our twenty houses the Word of God is heard with interest and joy; and I believe that God has already created a longing for salvation in many a heart; yet the outward hindrances are so strong and so many!" The work in Dowlaishwaram has been extended, twenty-five new houses having been added by the new Bible woman. Thus, about one hundred more women come under the influence of the gospel. The work in Dowlaishwaram seems more encouraging than in Aryapuram.

The pressing needs in this department at present are a marked increase in the number of Bible women, arrangements to give them instruction and a course of training, for which a building will be necessary, and, as indicated above, a refuge for converts. There is just as much need for this work and nearly as much room for it in Samulkot, with its 30,000 inhabitants, as in Rajahmundry, and also in Peddapur, Bhimawaram, after a missionary resides there, and in other large towns in our territory.

The Medical Work.—The medical work, says Dr. L. Woerner, has experienced a marked growth. The previous biennium reported about 24,000 visits to the dispensary; in the last two years the number rose to 42,010. 525 patients were treated in their homes, necessitating 3,040 visits. "Many were the opportunities to relieve distress and to teach the love of Christ to the afflicted. Naturally, there were disappointments and failures in the work, but also much appreciation and sincere gratitude. God has been very good to us and has often crowned our feeble efforts with success. There is one phase of the work, which I hope we

may be able to develop more in the near future, namely, more work for Mohammedan women and children, who are much more subject to ill-treatment and neglect during illness than Hindu women and children. This is due to their severe gosha system and to the great degradation of women under the Koran law. The one subject of absorbing interest has been the erection of the new hospital. Rapid progress was made, and the work is well done and does much credit alike to superintendent and contractor. By the time this report reaches the readers, we hope to have the hospital formally opened and the work well started. It is truly an enduring monument to Christian faith and love. We rejoice that the Lord has put it into the hearts of His people to give so freely of their substance to this cause. With the Spirit to help and guide your workers, the new hospital will be the means of bringing the gospel to all classes of people."

The medical department, thanks to the zeal of its supporters at home, is the third of our enterprises to be provided with what at least approaches an adequate material equipment; but while the hospital buildings have little to be desired, the work of the dispensary, which is and ought to be located in the heart of the city, is done in a small, ramshackle, rented building, which is made to suffice for the present, solely because it must. Moreover, work is to be opened in Bhimawaram, where there is a large field, and for it suitable accommodation remains to be provided. With three capable physicians there is no limit to the usefulness and possibilities of the medical work; and we confidently anticipate that it will give an excellent account of itself.

CONCLUSION.

The foregoing is an account, brief when compared with the wealth of material, of the achievements and the present condition of the mission. Unquestionably each of the missionaries could write a volume about his or her work. It fills an editor with dismay, when he is ordered to compress an octavo volume into the dimensions of a pamphlet and to condense a page into a single sentence, or even an adjective. No claim is made by any of the contributors to have done anything startling during the two years under review. "We all deplore high-pressure methods, and confine ourselves to the safe and well-tried paths,—Word, Sacraments, Spirit. We might in some instances have gone much faster than we did, but felt there was no advantage in receiving what we could not assimilate. We, therefore, went only as fast as the work absolutely compelled us. Probably we might have baptized 3,000 or 4,000 more souls, but we could not have cared for them after baptism. And so, while we are not able—and rather glad of it, too—to report sensational developments, we are able to report that the mission has never been in so promising a condition as it is now. There is room for encouragement, in every department. Not one of the missionaries is a sluggard and none lacks a high sense of duty and consecration. The biennium has been conspicuous for peace and harmony. When we see

what the Lord has accomplished through the feeble few here that the Church at home has sent, we can only praise His Holy Name."

A few matters in conclusion require special mention. As America is the Eldorado for the poor of some European countries, so Burma, and more especially Rangoon, is a land of promise for the people of South India. Many members of our mission are there. Several years ago an effort was made by our mission to look after their spiritual interests. A similar effort is under consideration now, and one of the missionaries, Mr. Kuder, has visited Rangoon for the purpose of investigation. He recommends that an agent of at least a catechist's grade be sent.

"There has been much friction with the Canadian Baptist Mission during the biennium. The situation is briefly as follows: They have invaded our territory and now claim to have rights in it. If we attempt to do any work in the disputed territory they say, 'How dare you do as we have done! We may take yours, but you must not take ours.'" They have carried the dispute before the Home Boards; and it is as yet unsettled. It requires most careful consideration.

One of the pressing needs in our organization is a synod with, it is needless to say, modified powers. It would become or furnish the room for the development of our native Church here, and thus introduce uniformity which, it may be added, does not now exist in the various parts of the mission. By laying down conditions of membership and participation, it would stimulate self-support and the sense of responsibility in our congregations. It would also possess immense educational value for such congregations, and more particularly, for our native pastors, who are now without synodical connection or privileges, and whose number will probably increase more rapidly in the near future.

PART III.

Our Japan Mission.

Missionaries.—The Rev. F. D. Smith, No. 1 Tamachi, 8 Chome, Shiba-Ku, Tokyo, Japan.

The Rev. Edward T. Horn, Jr., under appointment.

During the past two years the Rev. Frisby D. Smith has remained in Tokyo, where he has continued the study of Japanese. While thus engaged he has found opportunity to organize and instruct a class of College and University students, most of whom are members of the mission of the United Synod, South, in the island of Kyushu. Among his students are a lieutenant in the Japanese navy, and a son of a member of Parliament, who has received a consular appointment in China. "They are all bright young men," writes Mr. Smith, "who will be likely to hold important and influential positions in the empire." Nine men were in this class at the beginning of 1911, and two more have since joined it.

Regular Sunday services, with the use of the Japanese Lutheran Church Book, translated by the missionaries in Kyushu, have been held for the benefit of these students in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, the latter having taught them to sing a number of Christian hymns.

"I feel that what I have been able to do, apart from the study of the language," writes our missionary, "has been very little, and yet I do not think that our weekly meetings with these students have been in vain. They have served not only to keep our Lutheran young men together, but also to interest others. The Kyushu men have even contributed something toward establishing a church in Tokyo, and although it is only a few yen, we hope that we may be able to use it for that purpose."

Mr. Smith has asked for permission to employ a native helper in his work in Tokyo, even though it be necessary to engage someone from some other than the Lutheran Mission in Kyushu, and the Board has given him the permission. The same thing had to be done when the Mission of the United Synod, South, was established, and unless they can furnish our mission with one of their helpers, we must look elsewhere for our first native assistants. In the future, however, we hope to be able to make such arrangements as will insure us the needed supply of native helpers from the school which is being established by the Kyushu Mission at Kumamoto, in which we have been asked to co-operate by placing one of our missionaries there as a teacher. This school is of the grade of a college with a theological department, in which the Rev. Dr. Brown of the Mission of the United Synod and the Rev. Mr. Winther of the Danish Mission are professors. The United Synod in the South is making an effort to raise $50,000.00 to build and equip this school and is retaining the Rev. A. J. Stirewalt, one of its missionaries, in America, to complete the raising of this sum. Meanwhile the new buildings are going up and several hundred students have been entered in the college classes, and eight are in the theological department.

The total cost of our Japan work, including the salary of the missionary, from June, 1908, to October, 1911—three years and four months —has been $5,785.03. It is likely that about double this sum will be required during the next two years.

In the opinion of the Board, our work should center in Tokyo, at least for the present, and we have directed the Rev. Mr. Smith to remain in that city and continue his work for the establishment of a Lutheran congregation.

The co-operation of all Lutheran missions in Japan, namely, those of the United Synod in the South, of the Danish Synod and of the General Council, is now an established fact, the following agreement having been ratified by all three Boards:

Plan for a Working Co-operation in Evangelistic Work of the Missions of the Three American Lutheran Boards Doing Work in Japan.

Believing that it is to the interest of God's Kingdom and to the welfare of the establishment of the Lutheran Church in Japan, we, the representatives of the undersigned Boards, agree to recommend to our

respective Boards the following plan of co-operation of the missions of Japan under our respective control, leaving the details of said plan to be worked out and executed by the Japan Conference which will be called into being as a consequence thereof:

I. (a) That there be a Common Conference, of which all missionaries belonging to the Japan Mission of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South, of the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, shall be members, to whom shall belong equal votes and privileges.

(b) That said Conference be convened annually and whenever deemed advisable by the proper officers in view of necessary business, and that it elect its own officers, make rules for the conduct of its meetings, and immediately after each meeting report through its officers to each one of the Home Boards. The report shall be in duplicate, written by the Secretary and countersigned by the President.

II. That said Conference be given power to formulate rules for the prosecution of the evangelistic work, subject to the approval of the Boards.

III. That said Conference be given power to locate or to change the location of its pastors, evangelists or workers, as it may deem to be to the general interests of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan; only, that no pastor, evangelist or worker shall be located or have his location changed without the majority vote of the members of the mission under which the person in question is at that time working.

IV. That said Conference be given power to locate or to change the location of its missionaries, subject to the unanimous vote of the mission involved, together with the approval of the Home Board under which the person in question works.

V. That said Conference be given power to elect a common Mission Treasurer who shall receive and disburse all moneys sent by the three Boards involved, keeping a separate account for each Board and using the funds of each Board in behalf of its own respective work, subject to an order of a duly appointed agent of each mission, and reporting to each Board in monthly reports in such form as each respective Board may require.

VI. The plan herein contained is to become operative as soon as the respective Boards shall have agreed thereto and so notified their missionaries in Japan, to whom the carrying out of this plan shall be entrusted.

The First Convention of the Joint Conference of Lutheran Missionaries in Japan was held December 14, 1910, at Kumamoto, and the following officers were elected to serve for one year: President, the Rev. C. L. Brown, D.D.; Secretary, the Rev. F. D. Smith; Treasurer, the Rev. L. S. G. Miller.

Our Second Missionary to Japan.—We rejoice in having secured as our second missionary to Japan, the Rev. Edward Traill Horn, Jr., the

youngest son of the president of our Board, who was born in Charleston, South Carolina, September 23, 1887. After his graduation from Muhlenberg College, in 1907, he took his degree of Master of Arts with credit at Yale University. He was graduated from the Theological Seminary in Philadelphia and ordained by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania at its recent meeting in Lancaster, June 12, 1911. He was commissioned in Holy Trinity Church, Reading, Penna., on the evening of Sunday, August 20. He will be married to Miss Laura Weaver Rossiter, of Fox Chase, Philadelphia, who has become a member of Trinity Church, Reading, Pa., shortly before sailing from San Francisco on October 17.

With two missionaries in Japan, we may look for a more rapid development of our mission work, although the character of mission work in Japan does not warrant us to anticipate any remarkable increase in the number of converts and congregations.

PART IV.

The China Mission of the Augustana Synod.

Although this mission in China is not a General Council Mission under the care and control of its Board of Foreign Missions, but is conducted and supported independently by the Swedish Augustana Synod in addition to its co-operation in our India and Japan Missions, it is nevertheless, a part of the foreign mission work that is being done within the bounds of the General Council; and we would express our appreciation of the efforts of our Swedish brethren in behalf of the Christianization of the Empire of China which just at this time is ripe for the gospel of Jesus Christ and willing to admit the influences of the Kingdom of God. We would also remind the General Council, that at the time of its organization, before it secured control of the Rajahmundry Mission, its first foreign mission thought was directed toward China. Not only our Swedish brethren, but every part of the General Council should take its share in the work of winning the wonderful people of the great Chinese empire for the King of kings.

The work of the China Mission of the Augustana Synod is done under the direction of a special committee of that synod, of which the Rev. C. A. Hultkrans is the chairman. During the year 1909-1911, $16,478.95, and during 1910-11, $15,815.38 were contributed especially for this mission, which is located at Hsu-Cheo, Honan Province, China. Two ordained missionaries, the Revs. A. W. Edwins and Alfred Trued, one male physician, Dr. C. P. Friberg, and two woman missionaries, deaconesses, Sister Ingeborg Nystul and Sister Magda Hallquist, have been sent to the field. The Rev. Mr. Edwins is now in America on furlough.

PART V.

Recommendations.

1. *Resolved,* That we express our gratitude to God, our Father, who through Jesus Christ, His Son, our Saviour, has granted His blessing

upon the work of our missions in India and Japan, permitting us, as His humble servants and instruments in His hands, to convert men, women and children from the darkness of heathendom to the glorious light of His revealed Truth, and from the power of Satan to Him, the Living, the True, the Triune God, and, thereby, enabled us to add continually to the number of the company of believers in Christ, who are in the path of salvation.

2. *Resolved,* That we express our appreciation of the faithful and good work of our missionaries in India and in Japan, beseeching our Heavenly Father to continually protect, guide and bless them, while they labor as our representatives, His servants, in the carrying out of the great commission of our Redeemer, the Saviour of the world.

3. *Resolved,* That we will continue in prayer for additional laborers in the harvest fields of the Church in heathen lands, and especially for more missionaries to do the work God has assigned us among the Telugus of India and the Japanese; and that we will make every endeavor to adequately finance our foreign missions, that they may produce the best possible fruits for the Kingdom.

4. *Resolved,* That we express our appreciation of the work of our Board of Foreign Missions, and will beseech God to give it that wisdom in the care and control of our foreign missions, which will cause them to prosper and grow, to the honor and glory of His Name.

5. *Resolved,* That we call on the young men and women of our Church to consider the foreign mission fields as fields of personal service to Christ and their fellowmen, and we urge parents to lead their children to make these fields the sphere of their Christian service and ministry.

6. *Resolved,* That we encourage our missionary societies and other societies in our churches to make the study of missions one of the aims and purposes of these organizations, and to strive to become centers of mission information and inspiration, from which the mission spirit shall flow throughout the congregations.

7. *Resolved,* That we rejoice at the prominence given the study of the theory and practice of missions in our Theological Seminaries, trusting that this will greatly increase the number of missionaries and of mission contributions through the consecrated efforts of our pastors.

8. *Resolved,* That we express our appreciation of the efforts that our Women's Missionary Societies are making to fulfil their obligations in the cause of woman's work for women in heathen lands, and encourage them to continue their excellent work.

9. *Resolved,* That we rejoice at the increased interest taken by our laymen in the great cause of world-evangelization, as a result of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and encourage them to take their full share, by gift and prayer, in the endeavor to preach the gospel to every creature.

10. *Resolved,* That we request our pastors and Sunday-school superintendents to take an interest in the increase of subscribers to *"The Foreign Missionary"* and *"Missionsbote,"* and to read and commend the reading of mission literature.

11. *Resolved,* That in order to carry on the work of our foreign missions more efficiently and successfully, providing more missionaries and a better equipment of our missions with suitable buildings for church and school purposes, and for the homes of our missionaries, we recommend an apportionment to our synods of $150,000.00 for the coming biennium, to be distributed as follows:

Pennsylvania Ministerium, per annum	$22,000.00
Augustana Synod, per annum	22,000.00
New York and New England Synod, per annum	8,000.00
New York Ministerium, per annum	6,300.00
Pittsburgh Synod, per annum	6,000.00
Canada Synod, per annum	2,500.00
District Ohio Synod, per annum	2,000.00
Northwest Synod, per annum	1,500.00
Chicago Synod, per annum	1,000.00
Pacific Synod, per annum	1,000.00
Nova Scotia Synod, per annum	300.00
Central Canada Synod, per annum	200.00
Manitoba Synod, per annum	200.00
From Independent Synods, per annum	2,000.00
Total	$75,000.00

It is understood that hereafter all money contributed for hospital and medical work, as well as for any other department of our missions, shall be counted on the apportionments.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD T. HORN, *President.*

GEORGE DRACH, *General Secretary.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

July 1, 1909, to June 30, 1911.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand July 1, 1909		$3,059 80
Cash received as acknowledged in Foreign Missionary and Missionsbote:		
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$43,607 04	
Augustana Synod	36,162 66	
New York and New England Synod	12,489 91	
Pittsburgh Synod	9,079 48	
New York Ministerium	4,850 27	
Canada Synod	2,302 33	

Synod of the Northwest	$1,830 32	
District Synod of Ohio	1,646 30	
Chicago Synod	1,170 06	
Pacific Synod	1,168 26	
Iowa Synod	1,029 70	
Icelandic Synod	560 00	
Nova Scotia Synod	511 00	
Synod of Central Canada	311 35	
Porto Rico	28 18	
Miscellaneous	6,059 44	
Wm. H. Staake, Treas. G. C.	444 62	
Business Managers, Missionsbote	907 31	
Surplus Missionsbote	700 00	
Interest on deposits	278 61	
Legacies	2,681 33	
W. W. Wattles	1,000 00	128,818 17
Total		$131,877 97

DISBURSEMENTS.

To the Treasurer in India by drafts to the order of the Chairman of the Executive Committee:

General expenses to Oct. 1, 1911	$30,223 16	
Hospital Building	26,200 00	
Equipment of Hospital	2,040 00	
Tank and Latrine for Hospital	500 00	
Peddapur High School Building	3,000 00	
Emergency Fund	1,050 00	
Traveling expenses to the hills	591 66	
Taxes on Haas' Lands	230 00	
Repairs to Training School	207 00	
Repairs to Girls' School	200 00	
Peddapur High School	200 00	
Peddapur School, deficit	110 00	
Repairs Aryapuram and Godown	120 00	
Repairs to boat "Augustana"	103 00	
Repairs to boat "Canada"	56 66	
Paper for Printery	100 00	
Repairs Samulcot Church Building	1,000 00	
Repairs Seminary Bungalow	133 34	
Repairs Riverdale	132 66	
Gift of American Tract Society for disseminating Literature	100 00	
To Publish Telugu Church Book	150 00	
Editor Joint Lutheran Publication Society	79 00	
		66,527 48

Rev. J. H. Harpster, D.D.:		
Salary	$2,045 15	
Expenses	205 58	
Advanced on Luthergiri Bldg	52 00	
		$2,302 73
Rev. R. Arps:		
Salary to October 1, 1911	2,250 00	
Children's Allowance to Oct. 1, 1911	400 00	
Horse Allowance	120 00	
Traveling expenses to America	500 00	
		3,270 00
Rev. H. E. Isaacson, D.D.:		
Salary to October 1, 1911	2,400 00	
Children's Allowance to Oct. 1, 1911	1,000 00	
Horse Allowance to Oct. 1, 1911	160 00	
		3,560 00
Rev. E. Neudoerffer:		
Salary to October 1, 1911	1,852 12	
Horse Allowance	40 00	
Expenses to America	700 00	
Advance expenses for Missionaries going to India	200 00	
Expenses in America	348 15	
		3,140 27
Rev. C. F. Kuder:		
Salary to October 1, 1911	2,400 00	
Children's Allowance to Oct. 1, 1911	1,000 00	
Horse Allowance to Oct. 1, 1911	160 00	
		3,560 00
Rev. O. L. Larson:		
Salary to October 1, 1911	2,000 00	
Horse Allowance to Oct. 1, 1911	160 00	
Horse Purchased	100 00	
		2,260 00
Rev. O. O. Eckardt:		
Salary to October 1, 1911	2,000 00	
Horse Allowance to Oct. 1, 1911	160 00	
Horse Purchased	100 00	
		2,260 00
Rev. K. Wolters:		
Salary to October 1, 1911	1,575 00	
Horse Allowance to Oct. 1, 1911	160 00	
Horse Purchased	100 00	
Gift transmitted	5 00	
		1,840 00
Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Schmidt:		
Annuity to Oct. 1, 1911		600 00

Miss H. Wahlberg:		
Balance Salary		$46 88
Miss Agnes I. Schade:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1911	$1,037 50	
Expenses to America and return	666 00	
		1,703 50
Lydia Woerner, M.D.:		
Salary to October 1, 1911		1,025 00
Miss Emily Weiskotten:		
Salary to October 1, 1911		1,000 00
Amy Rohrer, M.D.:		
Salary to October 1, 1911		1,125 00
Betty Nilsson, M.D.:		
Salary to October 1, 1911		1,000 00
Miss Sigrid Esbehrn:		
Salary to October 1, 1911		1,000 00
Rev. Theo. R. Beussel:		
Salary	300 00	
Outfit	100 00	
Expenses to India	353 75	
Expenses to America	350 00	
		1,103 75
Margaret Haupt:		
Expenses	110 00	
Outfit	100 00	
		210 00
Miss Agatha Tatge:		
Outfit	100 00	
Expenses to meet Board	4 00	
		104 00
Rev. F. W. Schaeffer:		
Outfit	100 00	
Expenses to meet Board	3 75	
		103 75
Rev. O. V. Werner:		
Outfit	100 00	
Expenses to meet Board	5 83	
		105 83
Gift transmitted to R. Razama		5 00
Gift transmitted to R. David		5 00
Rev. Frisby D. Smith (Japan):		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1911	2,400 00	
Rent to Oct. 1, 1911	630 00	
Expenses for Mission	794 81	
		3,824 81

Rev. E. T. Horn, D.D., LL.D.:		
Expenses to Edinburgh Conference	$250 00	
Expenses to meeting of Board of Commissioners	11 20	
		261 20
Rev. George Drach:		
Salary to August 1, 1911	3,600 00	
Expenses	799 95	
Expenses to Edinburgh Conference	285 00	
Editorial expenses "Foreign Missionary"	20 00	
		4,704 95
James M. Snyder:		
Typewriting reports	46 95	
Postage	23 06	
		70 01
Rev. R. Bielinski:		
Expenses to Canada Synod	25 23	
Editorial Expenses "Missionsbote"	20 00	
		45 23
Rev. L. G. Abrahamson, D.D.:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		309 00
Rev. C. T. Benze, D.D.:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		190 49
Rev. P. J. O. Cornell:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		9 44
Prof. C. W. Foss, Ph.D.:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		258 00
Rev. F. C. Franzen:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		25 50
Rev. W. E. Frey:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		101 20
Rev. F. Jacobson, Ph.D.:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		4 00
Rev. G. Nelsenius, D.D.:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		28 22
Rev. M. C. Ranseen, D.D.:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		144 00
P. A. Rydberg, Ph.D.:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		4 20
Rev. J. A. Weyl:		
Expenses attending Board Meetings		31 50
Mrs. Paul F. Siebert:		
Expenses to Chicago		15 50
General Council Publication Board:		
Printing and mailing Reports, stationery, etc.		1,667 11
Sundry expenses		145 21
Printing		186 20

Typewriter	$49 00
Renewal of Treasurer's Bond	22 50
Cablegrams	8 47
Funeral expenses, Rev. J. H. Harpster, D.D.	219 59
Warren & Shuster:	
Legal expenses in Nicum bequest	75 00
E. Aug. Miller:	
Legal expenses Incorporation of Board	42 28
Swenson Legacy	605 00
Schlegelmilch Legacy	1,000 00
Weiskotten Memorial	2,045 00
Total	$113,949 80
Balance on hand, June 30, 1911	17,928 17
	$131,877 97

INVESTMENTS HELD BY TREASURER OF THE BOARD.

Wm. H. Trabert, Foundation (in trust)	$ 263 56
Swenson Legacy	605 00
Schlegelmilch Legacy	1,000 00
Weiskotten Memorial	2,045 00

Philadelphia, July 10, 1911.

JAS. M. SNYDER, *Treasurer.*

We have audited the Treasurer's account and find the same correct.

W. F. MONROE,
CHAS. B. OPP,
Auditing Committee.

SCHOLARSHIPS, BOYS' CENTRAL SCHOOL, RAJAHMUNDRY, INDIA, JAN. 1, 1911.

No.	Name	Age	Class	District	Scholarship	Patron.
1.	Edla Israel	13	I Form	Dowlaishwaram	Melanchthon	Mrs. M. Shunk, Morgantown, W. Va.
2.	Manukonda John	16	IV Form	Bhimawaram	Long	Young Ladies' Bible Class, Holy Trinity, New York.
3.	Addanki Prakasam	11	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		Luther League, First Church, Cleveland, O.
4.	Entapilli Anandam	10	III Stand	Samulkot	Betz	Bible Class, Bethlehem, Rochester, N. Y.
5.	Battu Moses	12	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, First Swedish, St. Peter, Minn.
6.	Dylapalli Isaiah	13	IV Stand	Tallapudi	Trinity	Sunday-school, Holy Trinity, Buffalo, N. Y.
7.	Adidela Bhooshanam	13	IV Stand	Bhimawaram	W. J. Mann	Sunday-school, Friedens, Meyerstown. Pa.
8.	Kandavelli Moses	15	I Form	Samulkot		Woman's Mission Society, Brush Creek, Pa.
9.	Gummidi Isaac	13	IV Stand	Kurokonda		Ladies' Aid, Salem, English, Minneapolis.
10.	Jalluri Elisha	12	IV Stand	Kurokonda	Augsburg	Luther League, Leechburg, Pa.
11.	Bidili Gabriel	12	III Stand	Bhimawaram		Young Ladies' Sewing Circle, Clinton, Minn.
12.	Adidela Sundararow	17	VI Form	Bhimawaram	Hasselquist	Luther League, St. Michael's, Sellersville, Pa.
13.	Gidla Israel	13	I Form	Samulkot		Boys' Helping Hand Club, Transfiguration, Pottstown.
14.	Matti Samuel	10	III Stand	Bhimawaram		Needle Workers, Trinity, Norristown, Pa.
15.	Lankapilli Joseph	12	IV Stand	Bhimawaram	Zion's	Ladies' Mission League, Zion's, Wheeling, W. Va.
16.	Garrikamukkala Joseph	15	III Form	Bhimawaram	C. W. Schaeffer	Woman's Missionary Society, St. Michael's, Germantown, Phila.
17.	Gummidi Sundararow	12	IV Stand	Dowlaishwaram		Sunday-school, Bethel, Swedish, Chicago.
18.	Jalluri Paul	12	IV Stand	Kurokonda	St. Mark's	Susan A. Nippes, Bustleton, Pa.
19.	Pidakala Jesuratnam	12	III Stand	Bhimawaram	Herman Carlson	Luther League, Renovo, Pa.
20.	Raya Samuel	12	IV Stand	Dowlaishwaram	Artman Memorial	Sunday-school, St. Stephen's, Philadelphia.
21.	Betala Bhooshanam	12	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		Misses Pieper, St. Stephen's, Brooklyn, N. Y.
22.	Lankapilli David	12	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		Mrs. G. W. Sandt, Nativity, Philadelphia.
23.	Pidakala Jeevaratnam	15	I Form	Bhimawaram	Evans	Sunday-school, St. Peter's, Evans City, Pa.
24.	Konala Cornelius	15	I Form	Bhimawaram		Willing Workers, St. Michael's, Germantown, Phila.
25.						
26.	Pidakala Joseph	13	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, Perkasie, Pa.
27.	Taluri Sundaradow	12	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		Swedish Church, Swedeburg, Neb.
28.	Paruvu Samuel	10	III Stand	Bhimawaram	John Arndt	Misses Worley, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
29.	Nitala Daniel	13	I Form	Korukonda	Davis Garber	Mrs. David Garber, Allentown, Pa.
30.	Mylabattula Gamaliel	14	IV Stand	Bhimawaram	Calvin Seaman	Mrs. A. E. Seaman's Bible Class, Zion's, Frackville.
31.	Paidi John	15	IV Stand	Bhimawaram	Warren	First Church, Warren, Pa.
32.	Vellagapilli Moses	14	III Form	Bhimawaram		Boys' Mission Band, Emmanuel, Pottstown, Pa.
33.	Sabbiti Moses	14	II Form	Tadepelligudem	George Weyman	Sunday-school, First Church, Pittsburg, Pa.
34.	Venumatla John	14	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		Foreign Mission Society, Ljunghed, Albert City, Iowa.
35.	Balla Jeevaratnam	12	IV Stand	Dowlaishwaram		Luther League, Trinity, Middlepoint, O.
36.	Gidla Satyanandam	16	IV Form	Dowlaishwaram		Luther League, Trinity, Philadelphia.
37.	Vepuri Frederick	10	IV Stand	Jaggampetta		Sunday-school, Transfiguration, Philadelphia.
38.	Yerram Samuel	11	IV Stand	Bhimawaram	B. M. Schmucker	Sunday-school, Transfiguration, Pottstown, Pa.
39.	Addanki Joseph	12	I Form	Bhimawaram	Aurora	Sunday-school, Redeemer, Aurora, Ills.
40.	Kunda Samuel	12	IV Stand	Dowlaishwaram	Schmauk	Woman's Missionary Society, Salem, Lebanon, Pa.
41.	Alerti Jeypaul	13	I Form	Bhimawaram		Luther League, Redeemer, Utica, N. Y.
42.	Goneparti Jesudas	15	IV Stand	Tadepelligudem	Brubeck	Ladies' Aid, Holy Trinity, Jeannette, Pa.
43.	Deva David	13	I Form	Bhimawaram		Luther League, Christ's, West Newton, Pa.
44.	Ethakota Prakasem	13	I Form	Tadepelligudem		Woman's Missionary Society, Reformation, Rochester, N. Y.
45.	Potti Isaac	12	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		Rev. F. N. D. Buchman, State College, Pa.
46.	Bonku Jeevaratnam	18	I Form	Dowlaishwaram	Krauth	Young Woman's Bible Class, Trinity, Buffalo.
47.	Tuluri Prakasem	14	III Form	Bhimawaram		Zion, Mission Circle, Erie, Pa.
48.	Dolla Anandam	12	III Stand	Jaggampetta	Wittenberg	Zion's, Wilmington, Del.

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No.	Name	Age	Class	District	Scholarship	Patron.
49.	Gedala Prakasam	11	III Stand	Bhimawaram	Ziegenfuss	Sunday-school, St. Michael's, Germantown, Phila.
50.	Jevadi Sundararow	15	I Form	Bhimawaram	Benj. Sadtler, Jr.	Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Sadtler, Atchison, Kan.
51.	Palaparti Adam	15	III Form	Bhimawaram		H. J. Moyer, Pillow, Pa.
52.	Kunchelapalli Abraham	13	I Form	Bhimawaram		Mrs. E. M. Magnusson, Orion, Ill.
53.	Godi Martin	12	III Stand	Bhimawaram		John F. Jones, Chicago.
54.						Mission Society, Van Wert, O.
55.	Matta Jeevaratnam	14	I Form	Bhimawaram	Benze	Pastor's Class, Sunday-school, St. John's, Erie, Pa.
56.						Ladies' Aid, Assiria, Kan.
57.	Matti Daniel	11	III Stand	Bhimawaram		Mrs. Mary K. Grafmueller, Epiphany, New York City.
58.						Ladies' Society, Mitchell, North Dakota.
59.	Mylabattula Solomon	12	III Stand	Bhimawaram	Salem	Sunday-school, Salem, Swedish, Chicago.
60.	Nitala Rajarow	13	I Form	Bhimawaram	Krotel	Infant School, Advent, New York City.
61.	Nokku John	15	I Form	Samulkot	St. James	Louisa Grim, Allentown, Pa.
62.						Augustana Woman's Missionary Society.
63.	Gidla Abraham	14	II Form	Dowlaishwaram	Hassler	Sunday-school, New Holland, Pa.
64.	Irlaparti Samuel	13	I Form	Dowlaishwaram	Yehl	Luther League, Bangor, Pa.
65.	Pilli Charles	11	I Form	Bhimawaram		Ladies' Missionary Society, Freemont, Kan.
66.						Sewing Society, Brushby, Texas.
67.	Pilli Samuel	13	III Form	Dowlaishwaram		Young People's Missionary Society, Zion's, Easton, Pa.
68.	Betala Johann	18	V Form	Bhimawaram		J. G. Lodin, Albert City.
69.						
70.	Torta Immanuel	13	II Form	Bhimawaram	Axtell	Bethany, Swedish, Axtell, Neb.
71.	Katragedda Samuel	16	III Form	Bhimawaram	Tappert	Meriden-Southington Churches, Conn.
72.	Poturazu Abraham	13	I Form	Bhimawaram	Upsala	Sunday-school, Zelienople, Pa.
73.	Nitala John Peter	10	III Stand	Bhimawaram		H. C. Kionka, Chicago.
74.	Erla Johann	10	III Stand	Samulkot	Lang	Mrs. F. G. Liemberner, Holy Trinity, Buffalo.
75.	Palaparti Devadanam	10	III Stand	Bhimawaram	Muhlenberg	Sunday-school, Holy Trinity, Buffalo.
76.	Veereli Jonathan	15	I Form	Dowlaishwaram	Elmquist	Conf. Class, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
77.						
78.						
79.	Pilli Sundarshanam	12	I Form	Bhimawaram	Gustavus Adolphus	Sunday-school, Mannhed, Stanton, Ia.
80.	Pattem Abraham	10	III Stand	Bhimawaram		Band of Mercy, Luther League, St. John's, Erie, Pa.
81.	Betala Solomon	13	I Form	Bhimawaram		Mrs. T. W. Boileau, Bustleton, Pa.
82.	Bynapudi Samuel	13	I Form	Samulkot	A. H. Franke	Sunday-school, Emmanuel, Germantown, Ohio.
83.						
84.	Palaprti Joshua	21	VI Form	Tallapudi		Missionary Society, Luther Mem., Erie, Pa.
85.	Pidakala Joseph	11	IV Stand	Bhimawaram		C. J. Blomberg family, Albert City, Iowa.
86.						
87.	Pallivelli Samuel	13	I Form	Tallapudi	Phoebe	Missionary Society, St. Peter's, South Bethlehem Pa.
88.	Pidakala Satyanandam	18	V Form	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, St. Mark's, Pennsburg, Pa.
89.						Sunday-school, Zion's Trevorton, Pa.
90.						
91.	Sodadasi Benjamin	12	III Stand	Bhimawaram	Seiss	Sunday-school, Holy Communion, Phila.
92.	Taluri Joseph	10	III Stand	Bhimawaram		Weiskotten Memorial Fund.
93.	Pidakala Moses	12	III Form	Bhimawaram	W. A. Passavant	Luther League, Christ's, Pittsburgh.
94.						
95.	Tuluri Devasahayam	12	II Form	Dowlaishwaram		Martha E. McCully, Trinity, Lancaster, Pa.
96.	Tuluri Joseph II	10	III Stand	Bhimawaram	Fichthorn	Luther League, Trinity, Norristown, Pa.

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97.	Gidla Samuel	13	I Form	Samulkot	Yount	Sunday-school, First Church, Greensburg, Pa.
98.	Gope Jesuratnam	13	II Form	Bhimawaram		Mission Band, Trinity, Bangor, Pa.
99.	Godi David	12	I Form	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, St. Stephen's, Toledo, O.
100.	Kakara Bhooshanam	13	II Form	Bhimawaram		Icelandic Evangelical Lutheran Synod.
101.	Mandru Joseph	16	II Form	Bhimawaram		Icelandic Evangelical Lutheran Synod.
102.	Manukonda Solomon	12	III Stand	Bhimawaram	Eckert	Luther League, Racine, Wis.
103.	Pedampudi Jesudas	11	III Stand	Korukonda	Frick	Redeemer Sunday-school, Milwaukee, Wis.
104.	Chedalada Simeon	10	III Stand	Tallapudi		Mission League, Monaca, Pa.
105.	Ravi Benjamin	13	I Form	Bhimawaram		Mission League, Monaca, Pa.
106.	Pilli Jacob	13	II Form	Bhimawaram	Spaeth	Woman's Missionary Society, Redeemer, Albany, N. Y.
107.	Pilli Jeevaratnam	13	II Form	Bhimawaram		
108.	Marri Immanuel	15	II Form	Dowlaishwaram		J. H. Leippe, Trinity, Reading.
109.						
110.	Gurdaparti Prakasem	12	III Stand	Jaggampet		J. H. Keppelman, and others, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
111.	Sheik Shelumiel	12	IV Stand	Jaggampet		Women's Missionary Society, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
112.	Manukonda Jesudas	10	III Stand	Tallapudi		Dr. Richards and others, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
113.	Pilli Cornelius	17	III Form	Dowlaishwaram		W. S. Mohr, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
114.	Namburi Paul	15	I Form	Tadepelligudem		Miss Mohr and others, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
115.	Dasi Daniel	11	III Stand	Tadepelligudem		Judge G. A. Endlich, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
116.	Jinipi Abraham	10	III Stand	Tallapudi		A. R. Bard and others, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
117.	Moses Ignatius	14	IV Stand	Tallapudi		Bible Study Circle, Augustana College, Rock Island, Ill.
118.	Pidakala Prakasem	15	II Form	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, Trinity, Mt. Joy, Pa.
119.	Potti Abraham	13	II Form	Tadepelligudem		Mrs. H. S. Muhlenberg, Trinity, Reading Pa.
120.	Ganji Prakasem	12	III Stand	Tadepelligudem		St. Paul's, Rochester, N. Y.
121.	Nakka Peter	13	III Stand	Tadepelligudem	Faith	John Mayer, Grace, Buffalo.
122.	Namburi Luther	12	III Stand	Tadepelligudem	Kepner	Boys' Mission Band, Emmanuel, Pottstown, Pa.
123.	Gorda Anandam	11	III Stand	Tadepelligudem		Mission Circle, Swedish, Brockton, Mass.
124.						
125.	Buditi Shadrach	15	III Form	Tadepelligudem		Sunday-school, St. Michael's, Sellersville, Pa.
126.	Teli Matthew	14	II Form	Tadepelligudem		A Widow, Ludington, Mich.
127.	Gollapilli Moses	10	III Stand	Tadepelligudem	Miller	Luther League, Trinity, Phoenixville, Pa.
128.	Chikkele Samuel	13	III Form	Tallapudi		First Church, Butler, Pa.
129.	Erla Praskasem	9	III Stand	Samulkot		Weiskotten Memorial Fund.
130.	Editi Joseph	12	III Stand	Samulkot	Ehrhardt	Sunday-school, St. Paul's, New York City.
131.	Patta Anandarow	9	III Stand	Samulkot	St. Lawrence	Junior Missionary Society, Trinity, Lancaster, Pa.
132.	Gidla Samuel	12	III Stand	Dowlaishwaram		Young People's Society, Ljunghed, Albert City, Iowa.
133.	Mulla Samuel	15	IV Stand	Jaggampet		Member Sunday-school, Redeemer, Montreal, Can.
134.	Irlaparti Immanuel	9	III Stand	Dowlaishwaram		Mission Band, St. John's, Pittsburgh.
135.						
136.	Mirtivada Daniel	10	III Stand	Jaggampet		Woman's Missionary Society, St. Mark's South Bethlehem, Pa.
137.	Mulla Anandam	17	II Form	Jaggampet		Weiskotten Memorial Fund.
138.						
139.	Vooba Jesudas	15	III Form	Tadepelligudem		Luther League, Trinity Pottsville, Pa.
140.	Peetala Raphael	9	IV Stand	Korukonda		Mrs. W. B. Grosh, St. Augustine, Florida.
141.	Penugula Sundararow	16	II Form	Tadepelligudem		Mrs. P. Ermold and others, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
142.	Jerti Swaminatham	14	II Form	Samulkot		Sunday-school, Meadville-Franklin, Penna.

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1.	Vagiri Martha	12	VI	Bhimawaram		Mrs. Glasow's Sunday-school Class, Zion's, Johnstown, Pa.
2.	Moora Kantama	17	VII	Dowlaishwaram		Sunday-school, Zion's, Trevorton, Pa.
3.	Adanki Shantama	12	III	Bhimawaram	Dorcas	Ladies' Aid. Milverton, Can.
4.	Ennapu Satyavati	7	Inft.	Korukonda	Ella Heller	Mrs. O. S. Heller, Redeemer, Binghamton, N. Y.
5.	Bandi Ruth	13	IV A	Dowlaishwaram	Mary Kline	Woman's Missionary Society, St. Michael's, Allentown, Pa.
6.	Palapati Gnanasundari	13	IV A	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, Grace, Rock Island, Ill.
7.	Penumala Gnanaratnama	13	IV B	Bhimawaram		Mission Workers, St. John's, Philadelphia.
8.	Notangi Prasadhama	14	VI	Tallapudi		Class 52, Sunday-school, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
9.	Madda Karuna	13	IV A	Bhimawaram	Marie Eaton	Sunday-school, First Church, Pittsburg.
10.	Potumudi Chandravati	14	V	Dowlaishwaram		Sewing Circle, Osceola, Nebraska.
11.	Chinnam Varahala	12	IV B	Jaggampetta	Merkham	Y. W. M. S., St. John's, Columbia, Pa.
12.	Tota Annama	13	IV A	Bhimawaram	Ada	Ladies' Aid, Courtland, Kansas.
13.	Kondeti Ratnama	15	VI	Dowlaishwaram		Conference Class, Emmanuel Swd., Minneapolis, Minn.
14.	Jangam Kruparatnama	11	III	Dowlaishwaram		Miss Nellie Anderson, Albert City, Iowa.
15	Sarelli Kantama	14	VII	Bhimawaram		Young Ladies' Class, Sunday-school, Swedesburg, Iowa.
16.	Gidla Paranjotama	9	II	Dowlaishwaram		Dorcas Circle, Luther League, St. John's, Erie, Pa.
17.	Terah Ratnama	14	IV B	Samulkot		Mrs. Dinkey's S. S. Class, Reformation, Rochester, N. Y.
18.	Gollapalli Rhoda	16	VII	Tanuku		Woman's Missionary Society, Zion's, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
19.	Prodduku Krupavati	11	III	Dowlaishwaram		Sunday-school, Bethel, San Jose, Cal.
20.	Nootampati Bhagyavati	12	IV A	Samulkot		Busy Bee Society, Bethany, Duluth, Minn.
21.	Sarapelli Martha	13	V	Bhimawaram		Miss Peter's Sunday-school Class, Grace, New York.
22.	Teli Manikiama	13	IV B	Tanuka		Sunday-school, Mt. Vernon, New York.
23.	Padavala Shantama	14	VI	Bhimawaram		Earnest Workers, Redeemer, Albany, N. Y.
24.	Gunnapu Paranjotama	12	IV B	Bhimawaram		Zion's, Lunenberg, Nova Scotia.
25.	Potti Gnanasundari	12	IV B	Bhimawaram	George Bateman	Mrs. George Bateman, Norristown, Pa.
26.	Uba Sundari	12	VI	Samulkot	Annie V. Olsson	Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Olsson, Albert City, Iowa.
27.	Maka Dinama	12	V	Dowlaishwaram	Waters	Sunday-school, Grace, Newark, N. J.
28.	Velagapalli Kempuratnama	11	IV A	Bhimawaram		Woman's Missionary Soc., Advent, Lancaster, Pa.
29.	Janga Manikiama	11	V	Dowlaishwaram	Kate Worley	Class 54, Sunday-school Trinity, Reading, Pa.
30.	Sarelli Annama	14	VII	Bhimawaram	Margie S Hager	Mrs. Ellmaker, per Kath. Hager, Lancaster, Pa.
31.	Kunchepelli Shantama	9	IV B	Bhimawaram		First Church, Swedish, Rock Island, Ill.
32.	Kollabattula Shantama	9	II	Dowlaishwaram		The Misses Bauer, Allentown, Pa.
33.	Edi Janama	13	IV A	Bhimawaram		Tabitha Society, Bethany, Duluth, Minn.
34.	Velagapalli Alice Mary	9	IV B	Bhimawaram	Sister Amelia	Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee, Wis.
35.	Chandramala Kantama	13	IV B	Dowlaishwaram		Daughters of St. Luke's, Chicago.
36.	Raya Jevaratnama	11	IV B	Dowlaishwaram		Junior League, Penns Station, Pa.
37.	Tuluri Minnie	11	III	Dowlaishwaram		Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Anderson, Immanuel. Omaha, Neb.
38.	Pidakala Eve	14	VII	Bhimawaram		Dora Seaberg, Grace, Rock Island, Ill.
39.	Prodduku Annama	15	VII	Dowlaishwaram		Sunday-school, Zion's, Johnstown, Pa.
40.	Raya Gnavatnama	11	IV B	Dowlaishwaram		N. N., Paxton. Ill.
41.	Tota Annama	14	V	Bhimawaram	Dorcas	Luther League, St. John's, Erie, Pa.
42.	Erram Rhoda	14	V	Bhimawaram		Junior League, Grace, Reading, Pa.
43.	Vernuluri Mary	12	III	Tallapudi		Dorcas, Grace, Toledo, Ohio.
44.	Boosa Manikiama	14	IV A	Samulkot		Junior League, Grace, Reading, Pa.
45.	Deva Shantama	16	VI	Dowlaishwaram	Emma Rasch Mem'l.	Lena Rasch, Zelienople, Pa.
46.	Jetti Dinama	14	V	Samulkot		Susan Hannah, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
47.	Pidakala Sarah	15	V	Bhimawaram		King's Daughters, Trinity, Buffalo, N. Y.
48.	Matte Ratnama	11	III	Bhimawaram		Mrs. J. J. Reutlinger, Resurrection, Philadelphia.
49.	Battini Kempuratnama	10	IV B	Dowlaishwaram		Mission Band, Dayton. Iowa.
50.	Ralapati Chandrakantama	11	III	Bhimawaram		Young Ladies' Society, St. Mark's, Philadelphia.
51.	Dara Ratnama	14	V	Dowlaishwaram		Miss Etta Fackiner, Summit, N. J.

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52.	Janga Annama	10	II	Dowlaishwaram	Marie Teleen	S. F. Teleen, New York City.
53.	Terah Kamalama	11	II	Samulkot		Woman's Missionary Society, St. Paul's, Orwigsburg, Pa.
54.	Godi Alice	13	V	Bhimawaram		Catechumens, Christ, Hazleton, Pa.
55.	Potumudi Kantama	14	VI	Dowlaishwaram		Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee, Wis.
56.	Nittela Margaret	9	II	Bhimawaram		Girl's Mission Band, Christ, Hazleton, Pa.
57.	Potla Karuna Kantama	11	III	Tanuku		Swedish Lutheran Church, Wakefield, Neb.
58.	Geddamu Mary	12	IV A	Dowlaishwaram		Woman's Missionary Society, Trinity, Danville, Pa.
59.	Pidakala Shantama	11	III	Bhimawaram		Mrs. J. Lange, Grace, New York.
60.	Potti Sarah	10	II	Tanuku		Mrs. K. Gerhardt and Mrs. K. Jannen, Grace, N. Y.
61.	Gidla Kantama	13	V	Dowlaishwaram		Junior Workers, Grace, Youngstown, O.
62.	Tuluru Surya Kantama	12	III	Bhimawaram		Miss L. Kline, Grace, New York.
63.	Namabhaktula Annama	12	III	Kurokonda		Bible Class, Gustavus Adolphus, Pittsburgh, Pa.
64.	Manakonda Surya Kantama	11	II	Bhimawaram		Junior Workers, Grace, Youngstown, O.
65.	Kanchelli Sandari	9	I	Dowlaishwaram		Luther League, St. Paul's, Morrisburg, Ont.
66.	Rapaka Shantama	8	II	Tanuku		Woman's Missionary Society, St. Michael's, Allentown, Pa.
67.	Polumati Annama	9	I	Dowlaishwaram		Parish Helpers, St. Luke's, Philadelphia.
68.	Betala Dinama	11	IV A	Bhimawaram		Junior Missionary Society, St. James', Reading.
69.	Vemuluri Salome	10	II	Dowlaishwaram		Rev. O. Linke, Conestoga, Ont., Can.
70.	Kakalapati Mary	10	III	Tallapudi		Girls' Mission Band, Christ, Hazleton, Pa.
71.	Uba Mary	12	IV A	Samulkot		Swedish Church, Swedesburg, Iowa.
72.	Ambata Gnanaratama	10	II	Korukonda	Esther Johnson	Mrs. Gustav Johnson, Osage City, Kan.
73.	Mallipavula Jemima	14	VII	Dowlaishwaram		Sunday-school Class, Grace, New York City.
74.	Pulugu Mary	13	IV B	Dowlaishwaram		Sunday-school, Apostles', Philadelphia.
75.	Chedalada Mary	10	II	Tallapudi		Miss Mercy Hagy, St. John's, Denver, Pa.
76.	Natangi Jemima	11	II	Tallapudi		Earnest Workers, Redeemer, Albany, N. Y.
77.	Nokke Manikiama	11	IV B	Samulkot		Ladies' Society, Elizabethville, Pa.
78.	Giddi Dinama	16	VI	Dowlaishwaram		Holy Trinity, Chester, Pa.
79.	Battini Annama	17	VII	Dowlaishwaram		Mission Workers, St. John's, Philadelphia.
80.	Potella Annama	10	I	Dowlaishwaram		Sunday-school, Luther Memorial, Erie, Pa.
81.	Palapati Mary	10	II	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, Luther Memorial, Erie, Pa.
82.	Sandi Gnanaratnama	10	I	Bhimawaram		Sister Ida Buck, Epileptic Home, Rochester, Pa.
83.	Rapaka Chandravati	9	II	Tanuku		Miss Cornelius' Class, Sunday-school, Trinity, Buffalo, N. Y.
84.	Nokke Sunderi	10	I	Samulkot		Young Woman's Bible Class, Trinity, Buffalo, N. Y.
85.	Bikke Sarah	14	IV B	Samulkot		Sunday-school, Holy Trinity, Buffalo, N. Y.
86.	Boda Julia	13	IV B	Dowlaishwaram		Mrs. Hoffman, St. John's, Philadelphia.
87.	Kasi Satyavati	18	VII	Dowlaishwaram		Mrs. Hoffman, St. John's, Philadelphia.
88.	Pidakala Rhoda	17	Training	Bhimawaram		Luther League, St. Matthew's, Rose Bay, N. S.
89.	Pandiri Gnanasundari	10	III	Tanuku		Mission Band, St. Michael's, Allentown, Pa.
90.	Tyrre Mary	9	II	Tanuku		Luther League, St. Mark's, Rose Bay, N. S.
91.	Kottepelli Kantama	13	IV A	Dowlaishwaram		Woman's Missionary Society, St. Luke's, Allentown, Pa.
92.	Palangi Mary	15	VII	Dowlaishwaram		Sisters Clara Mueller and Wilhelmina Johannsen, Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee, Wis.
93.	Geddam Chandravati	8	I	Tanuku		Woman's Missionary Soc., Transfiguration, Pottstown, Pa.
94.	Gidla Karunama	8	I	Dowlaishwaram		Woman's Missionary Society, Christ, Elizabethtown, Pa.
95.	Vidyapu Satyavati	16	VI	Samulkot	W. F. Ulery	Sunday-school, Greenville, Pa.
96.	Kollabattula Manikiama	12	IV A	Dowlaishwaram	J. W. Oberly	Sunday-school, Greenville, Pa.
97.	Vidyapu Alice	14	VII	Samulkot	T. H. Lane	Sunday-school, First Church, Pittsburgh.
98.	Betampudi Kantama	8	I	Dowlaishwaram	Odeen	Ladies' Aid, Courtland, Kansas.
99.	Chinnam Ratnama	10	I	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, Trinity, Mt. Joy, Pa.
100.	Palapati Kempuratnama	7	Inft.	Bhimawaram		Luther League, Zion's, Greensburg, Pa.
101.	Kakarla Kuruna	13	IV B	Tallapudi		Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee, Wis

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102.	Chedalada Miriam	8	I	Tallapudi		Augustana Woman's H. and F. Missionary Society.
103.	Rapaka Shantama	7	Inft.	Tanuku		Augustana Woman's H. and F. Missionary Society.
104.	Dasi Shantama	12	IV B	Tanuku		Jessie M. Bert's Class, Sunday-school, Zion's Erie, Pa.
105.	Redemelli Kantama	8	I	Tanuku		Luther League, Scenery Hill, Pa.
106.	Boosi Nelavati	14	V	Bhimawaram	Wisterberg	Dorcas Society, Des Moines, Iowa.
107.	Chintada Alice	11	IV A	Tallapudi		Sunday-school, Holy Communion, Philadelphia.
108.	Addanki Margaret	13	III	Tanuku	John H. Harpster	Ladies' Society, First Church, Pittsburgh.
109.	Kakarla Shantama	11	IV A	Tallapudi		Mission Circle, Zion's, Erie, Pa.
110.	Dolla Kantama	12	IV A	Dowlaishwaram		Mission Circle, Grace, Rochester, N. Y.
111.	Siddela Chilakama	15	VII	Tallapudi		Mission Circle, Grace, Rochester, N. Y.
112.	Kolle Mary	11	IV B	Tanuku		Junior L. L., St. John's, Richmond Hill, N. Y.
113.	Mommuduvarpu Kempuratnama	12	III	Bhimawaram		Mission Band, Jerusalem, Schwenksville, Pa.
114.	Manukonda Ruth	14	VII	Bhimawaram		Luther League, Vandalia, Ill.
115.	Kollabattula Ratnama	13	VI	Dowlaishwaram		Temple Children, St. Peter's, North Wales, Pa.
116.	Penumaka Sarah	14	VI	Tallapudi		Woman's Missionary Society, Emmanuel, Pottstown, Pa.
117.	Penumaka Susanna	14	IV A	Tallapudi	Alma	Swedish Church, Mead, Neb.
118.	Madda Dinama	16	VII	Bhimawaram		St. Mark's, Boston, Mass.
119.	Notangi Mary	13	IV A	Tallapudi		Concordia, Buffalo. N. Y.
120.	Gollapalli Annama	11	III	Tanuku		Woman's Missionary Society, St. John's, Auburn, Pa.
121.	Madika Jessica	12	V	Tallapudi		Woman's Missionary Society, St. John's, Allentown, Pa.
122.	Maka Kantama	10	II	Rajahmundry		Industrial School, Advent, New York City.
123.	Verravalli Sundari	12	IV B	Dowlaishwaram	Harriet Bastian Mem.	Church of Advent, New York City.
124.	Geddamu Prasadham	13	IV B	Tallapudi		Dorcas Society, Des Moines, Iowa.
125.	Namabhaktulu Martha	16	VII	Korukonda		Salena Becker, Williamsburg, Ont.
126.	Katem Dinama	13	VI	Dowlaishwaram		Ladies' Missionary Society, Williamsburg, Ont.
127.	Mallipuvala Anantama	12	V	Dowlaishwaram		St. John's, Zanesville, Ohio.
128.	Siddela Jemima	11	III	Tallapudi		Luther League, St. John's, Homestead, Pa.
129.	Addanki Mary	12	IV B	Bhimawaram		Luther League, Omaha, Neb.
130.	Nittela B. Chandravati	10	IV A	Jaggampetta		Mt. Calvary Luther League, McKees Rocks, Pa.
131.	Potamati Janakama	16	V	Dowlaishwaram		Missionary Society, Trinity, Lansford, Pa.
132.	Taluri Alice	9	II	Bhimawaram		Girls' Mission Band, Christ's, Tinicum, Pa.
133.	Jalluri Elizabeth	9	I	Korukonda		Y. P. Society, Swedish, Dahlsborg, S. Dak.
134.	Nicodemus Naomi	9	II	Korukonda		Sunday-school, St. John's, E. Mauch Chunk, Pa.
135.	Boosi Mary Magdalene	15	VII	Tallapudi		Florence Silven, Osage City. Kansas.
136.	Palingi Martha	12	III	Dowlaishwaram		Girls' Missionary Society, Stanton, Iowa.
137.	Paduri Shantama	11	III	Dowlaishwaram		Sunday-school, Resurrection, Philadelphia.
138.	Vepuri Victoria	8	I	Korukonda		Miss N. Lindquist, Rockford, Ill.
139.	Kondipudi Dinama	12	III	Dowlaishwaram		First Church, Butler, Pa.
140.	Vemuluru Manikiama	10	II	Tallapudi		M. L. Wendt, Redeemer, Buffalo, N. Y.
141.	Kakulapati Karunama	9	II	Tallapudi		R. J. Sautler, Redeemer, Buffalo, N. Y.
142.	Pilli Kempuratnama	10	II	Bhimawaram		
143.	Pilli Shantama	9	II	Bhimawaram		
144.	Polumuri Kantama	10	II	Bhimawaram		
145.	Aleti Salome	9	II	Bhimawaram		Sunday-school, Pontiac, R. I.
146.	Bunga Shantama	10	II	Tanuku		Rev. Theo. Hartwig, Strathcona, Alta.
147.	Manukonda Shantama	10	II	Bhimawaram		Mrs. John Kelting, St. Matthew's, Toledo, O.
148.	Manukonda Krupavati	10	II	Bhimawaram		Sewing Society, Albert City, Iowa.
149.	Gummala Chandravati	9	II	Bhimawaram		
150.	Polumuri Manikiama	10	II	Bhimawaram		

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No.	Name	Work	Place	District.	Patron.
1.	Vagiri Benjamin	Teacher	Agarthipalem	Bhimawaram	Woman's Missionary Society, Leechburg, Pa.
2.	Vungara Sreeramalu	Catechist	Tallapudi	Tallapudi	Sunday-school, Ljunghed, Albert City, Ia.
3.	Mangamani Jesudasu	Evangelist	Jgurupad	Dowlaishwaram	Young Ladies' Society, Scottdale, Pa.
4.	Thota Samuel	Catechist	Pullimari	Samulkot	Swedish Church, Lindsborg, Kan.
5.	Mallepu William	Evangelist	Bobberlanka	Dowlaishwaram	Swedish Church, Vilas, Kan.
6.	P. Salome	Bible Woman	Rajahmundry		Rev. and Mrs. Critchlow, Jamestown, N. Y.
7.	Mogalapu Lazarus	Evangelist	Muramunda	Dowlaishwaram	Clara Fichthorn, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
8.	Velugapalli Prakasem	Catechist	Annavaram	Bhimawaram	Luther League, Beaver Falls, Pa.
9.	Pidakala Gamaliel	Teacher	Gorlamudi	Bhimawaram	Ladies' Missionary Society, Morrisburg, Ont.
10.	Godi Paradesi	Catechist	Gootlapadu	Bhimawaram	Sunday-school, First Church, Galesburg, Ill.
11.	K Agnes	Bible Woman	Rajahmundry		First Church, Plattsville, Wis.
12.	Pilli James	Catechist	Argatipalem	Bhimawaram	Luther League, Salem, Minneapolis, Minn.
13.	Sandi Barnabas	Teacher	Kapavaram	Bhimawaram	Woman's Missionary Society, Augustana Synod.
14.	Battini John	Evangelist	Dwarapudi	Dowlaishwaram	Wm. Benbow, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
15.	Kandavalli David	Teacher	Pedda Malapilli	Samulkot	Bible Class, Emmanuel, Swedish, Chicago.
16.	Arulappu Anandappan	Teacher	Tallapudi	Tallapudi	Grace, Lancaster, Pa.
17.	Pidakala Moses	Catechist	Gorlamudi	Bhimawaram	Emmanuel, Evanston, Ill.
18.	Muppidi Samuel	Teacher	Koyyatipadu	Bhimawaram	Dorcas Society, Cannon Falls, Minn.
19.	Gidla Timothy	Teacher	Samulkot	Samulkot	Swedish Sunday-school, Calumet, Mich.
20.	Matta Cornelius	Teacher	Cheragudem	Bhimawaram	Allentown Conference Woman's Missionary Society.
21.	Pidakala Ezekiel	Teacher		Bhimawaram	Swedish Church, Stockholm, Wis.
22.	Karre Satyanandem	Teacher	Bhimawaram	Bhimawaram	Selma Nelson and Sarah Leander, Knoxville, Ill.
23.	Pattem Daniel	Teacher	Chilukuru	Bhimawaram	St. Mark's, Williamsport, Pa.
24.	Alerti Lazarus	Teacher	Kopalla	Bhimawaram	Willing Workers, St. John's, Kittanning, Pa.
25.	Sadhu Elisha	Teacher	Kasavaram	Korukonda	Aug. Luther League, Illinois Conference.
26.	Pidakala Caleb	Catechist	Chinnapularu	Bhimawaram	Young Men's Bible Class, Trinity, Buffalo.
27.	Katam Jeremial	Evangelist	Dowlaishwaram	Dowlaishwaram	St. John's, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
28.	P. J. William	Pastor	Korukonda	Korukonda	Chicago Synod.
29.	Raya David	Evangelist	Samulkot	Samulkot	Sunday-school, Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
30.	Karri Moses	Evangelist	Prattipardu	Samulkot	Bible Class, Emmanuel, Swedish, Chicago, Ill.
31.	Raya Thomas	Evangelist	Komaripalem	Dowlaishwaram	Sunday-school, Emmanuel, German, Philadelphia.
32.	Patti Aaron	Evangelist	Malleshwaram	Tadepelligudem	Mrs. Hoffman, Trinity, Buffalo.
33.	J. Anna	Bible Woman	Dowlaishwaram	Dowlaishwaram	Mrs. and Miss Kate Sadtler, Baltimore, Md.
34.	Jerriprolu John	Catechist	Samulkot	Samulkot	Ladies' Missionary Society, Zion's, Rockford, Ill.
35.	Jetty Jevaratnam	Teacher	Timapuram	Samulkot	Bethany, Ishpeming, Mich.
36.	Potti Stephen	Catechist	Jonnalapalem	Bhimawaram	A Member, Trinity, Lancaster, Pa.
37.	Pidakala Samson	Teacher	Mahadevipatnam	Bhimawaram	Luther League, St. Paul's, Uniontown, Pa.
38.	Raya Samuel	Teacher	Potlanka	Dowlaishwaram	Sunday-school, Trinity, New Haven, Conn.
39.	Nittala Philip	Catechist	Katairu	Korukonda	Young People's Society, Augustana, Minneapolis.
40.	Vakapilli Prakasem	Evangelist	Pittapuram	Samulkot	Young People's Society, Augustana, Minneapolis.
41.	Terra Enoch	Evangelist	Katlamur	Samulkot	Rev. A. W. Lindquist, Kansas City, Mo.
42.	Taluri Shadrach	Teacher	Peddameram	Bhimawaram	Class 57, Sunday-school, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
43.	Manda Nathaniel	Teacher	Pennada	Bhimawaram	John Bergman, Holdrege, Neb.
44.	Edhi James	Teacher	Korrapadu	Bhimawaram	Ladies' Missionary Society, St. Peter's, New York.

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No.	Name	Work	Place	District.	Patron.
45.	Pidakala Barnabas	Teacher	Chinamallapilli	Bhimawaram	Luther League, St. James', Portland, Oregon.
46.	V. Shantama	Bible Woman	Rajahmundry		Alma Swedish, Mead, Neb.
47.	Chodadasi Ratnama	Bible Woman	Rajahmundry		Dorcas Society, Salemsburg, Kan.
48.	Dudala Isaac	Teacher	Gollalakodaru	Bhimawaram	East Side Luther League, Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
49.	Manukonda Lazarus	Catechist	Undi	Bhimawaram	Missionary Society, Luther Academy, Wahoo, Neb.
50.	Veilagapalli Alfred	Catechist	Lakshmipalem	Bhimawaram	Luther League, Burlington District, Ia.
51.	Potti Nathaniel	Teacher	Ballapalli	Bhimawaram	Young People's Society, St. John's, Rochester, N. Y.
52.	Nittla Moses	Catechist	Kondapadu	Bhimawaram	Augustana Sunday-school Teachers' Asso., West Side, Chicago.
53.	Ella Job	Evangelist	Velpur	Tadepelligudem	Sunday-school, Swedish, Knoxville, Ills.
54.	Kandavalli Christian	Teacher	Jagganathpuram	Bhimawaram	Frankean Missionary Society, Muhlenberg College, Allentown.
55.	Gumpula Shadrach	Teacher	Vondramu	Bhimawaram	Sunday-school, Holy Trinity, Elgin, Ill.
56.	Manukonda Jesudas	Teacher	Kamarala	Bhimawaram	Trinity, Galesburg, Ill.
57.	Boosi Albert	Teacher	Tallapudi	Tallapudi	Bible Class, Rev. Schuh, Chicago.
58.	Gidla Rozamah	Teacher	Samulkot	Samulkot	Luther League, Galesburg District, Ill.
59.	Gopala Samuel	Teacher	Jegurupad	Dowlaishwaram	Church at Swedesburg, Kan.
60.	Tuluri Solomon	Evangelist	Balabhadrapur	Dowlaishwaram	Swedish Church, Chariton, Iowa.
61.	Morampudi Daniel	Evangelist	Polavaram	Dowlaishwaram	Swede House Church, Neb.
62.	Polumati Lazarus	Evangelist	Dulla	Dowlaishwaram	Busy Bee, Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
63.	Kandavalli Daniel	Teacher	Satyavaram	Bhimawaram	Zion's, Newman Grove, Neb.
64.	Pidakala Nathaniel	Teacher	Yellamadurru	Bhimawaram	Luther League, Noxen, Pa.
65.	Madikond Daniel	Teacher	Rampa	Korukonda	Luther League, St. Mark's, Minneapolis.
66.	Deva Barthini Joseph	Teacher	Gorinkota	Bhimawaram	Conf. Class, Emmanuel, Mankato, Minn.
67.	Pilli Samuel	Teacher	Veravasaram	Bhimawaram	Dorcas Society, Swea City, Iowa.
68.	Raya Isaiah	Teacher	Kesavaram	Dowlaishwaram	Swedish Church, Sabylund, Minn.
69.	Kandikattla Jonathan	Teacher	Gunnupudi	Bhimawaram	Emmanuel Swedish, Omaha, Neb.
70.	Mayalabattulu Venkata	Teacher	Komadavalli	Bhimawaram	A Friend, Hempstead, L. I., N. Y.
71.	Jetty Kantama	Teacher	Peddapur	Samulkot	Augustana Foreign Missionary Soc., Rock Island, Ill.
72.	Rayah Emeliamah	Teacher	Samulkot	Samulkot	Sunday-school, Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
73.	Manukonda James	Teacher	Zakkaram	Bhimawaram	Mrs. M. E. Troutman, Butler, Pa.
74.	Balla Moses	Teacher	Anakoderru	Bhimawaram	A Member, Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
75.	Raya Jacobu	Teacher	Editi	Dowlaishwaram	Junior League, St. John's, Miamisburg, O.
76.	Adla Samuel	Teacher	Lolla	Dowlaishwaram	Missionary Society, Salem, Bethlehem, Pa.
77.	Kattula Johan	Teacher	Kamavarem	Dowlaishwaram	Rev. P. E. Baisler, Winnipeg, Can.
78.	Balla Anandam	Teacher	Dowlaishwaram	Dowlaishwaram	Woman's Missionary Society, Janesville, Wis.
79.	Mogalapu Ratnama	Teacher	Muramunda	Dowlaishwaram	Amanda Westling, Chariton, Ia.
80.	Patti Manikiam	Teacher	Navara	Samulkot	Anna Westling, Chariton, Ia.
81.	Dandinga Ratnama	Teacher	Lolla	Dowlaishwaram	Alma Clay, Chariton, Iowa.
82.	Nittala Shantama	Teacher	Katairu	Korukonda	Ella Nelson, Chariton, Iowa.
83.	Gumnapu Kantama	Teacher	Ravulapalem	Dowlaishwaram	Mr. P. E. Anderson and Family, Chariton, Iowa.
84.	Adla Satyanandam	Teacher	Rayavaram	Dowlaishwaram	English Bible Class, Chariton.
85.	Shelomiel Kantama	Teacher	Pittapur	Samulkot	Sunday-school, Swedish, Knoxville, Ill.
86.	Karri Annama	Teacher	Prattipadu	Samulkot	Mr. and Mrs. Axel Norman, Swedesburg, Iowa.
87.	Nambala Paul	Teacher	Peddagaruvu	Bhimawaram	A. G. Nelson, Saskatchewan, Can.
88.	Mogalapu Srinivasem	Teacher	Velagatodu	Dowlaishwaram	Loyal Helpers, Wataga, Ill.

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89.	Balla Lazarus	Teacher	Peravaram	Dowlaishwaram	St. Jacobus, Philadelphia.
90.	Balla Sarah	Teacher	Dowlaishwaram	Dowlaishwaram	Swedish Church, Cambridge, Minn.
91.	Penuku Nathaniel	Teacher	Rajahmundry	Bhimawaram	Luther League, Seattle, Wash.
92.	Balla Cyrus	Teacher	Peravaram	Dowlaishwaram	Rev. H. C. H. Kline, Bethlehem, Pa.
93.	Taluru Mariamah	Teacher	Samulkot	Samulkot	Swedish Church, Vilas, Kan.
94.	Jetty Isaiah	Teacher	Peddapur	Samulkot	Missionary Society, Christ's, Easton, Pa.
95.	Poturazu Subbarayudu	Teacher	Madapardu	Samulkot	Mrs. David Askegaard, Comstock, Ia.
96.	Namaghaktulu Prakasem	Evangelist	Gazulupadu	Korukonda	Salem, Rockford, Ill.
97.	Nela Isaac	Catechist	Gonagudem	Korukonda	Young Ladies, Trinity, Swedish, Chicago.
98.	Patti Bulliah	Teacher	Navara	Samulkot	Mr. E. W. Myers, Bethlehem, Swedish, Chicago.
99.	Tuluri Cornelius	Teacher	Samulkot	Samulkot	Holy Trinity, English, Minneapolis.
100.	Palarparti Lazarus	Teacher	Arjanudupalem	Tadepelligudem	Holy Trinity, English, Minneapolis.
101.	Produkku Johann	Teacher	Biccavol	Dowlaishwaram	Ladies' Society, Zion's, Greensburg, Pa.
102.	Mayalattulu Meshech	Teacher	Unikili	Tadepelligudem	Ladies' Society, Zion's, Greensburg, Pa.
103.	Tota Ruth Joseph	Bible Woman	Rajahmundry		Epiphany, Manayunk, Philadelphia.
104.	Manikonda Anna	Teacher	Dowlaishwaram	Dowlaishwaram	Mrs. Peter Nelson, Chariton, Iowa.
105.	Mallepu Sunderama	Teacher	Bobberlanka	Dowlaishwaram	A. and E. and H. and A. Lundgren, Chariton, Iowa.
106.	Kolatti John	Teacher	Konchumarru	Tadepelligudem	Rev. J. O. Glenn, Irwin, Pa.
107.	Lankapalli Jacob	Teacher	Kasipadu	Tadepelligudem	Men's Bible Class, Latrobe, Pa.
108.	N. Deborah	Bible Woman	Rajahmundry		Woman's Missionary Society, Trinity, Carrollton, Ohio.
109.	Rapaka Isaac	Evangelist	Manavallore	Tadepelligudem	Primary Sunday-school, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
110.	Mayalabattula Peter	Teacher	Kondayapalem	Tadepelligudem	Zion's Swedish, Philadelphia.
111.	Eilakotu John	Teacher	Babbarazupalem	Tadepelligudem	Sunday-school, Zion's, Harolds, Penna.
112.	Golapalli Jesudass	Teacher	Rajahmundry		Faith Chapel, Reading, Pa.
113.	Dayam Nathaniel	Teacher	Mallipudi	Tadepelligudem	Peace Chapel, Reading, Pa.
114.	Bundilla Nathaniel	Teacher	Malleshwaram	Tadepelligudem	Junior Luther League, Grace, Youngstown, O.
115.	Bondilla James	Teacher	Velpur	Tadepelligudem	English Sunday-school, Association, St. John's, Buffalo.
116.	Namburi Devadanam	Teacher	Tadepelligudem	Tadepelligudem	English Sunday-school, Association, St. John's, Buffalo.
117.	Alamuri Shadrach	Teacher	Polamur	Tadepelligudem	Swedish Church, Freemont, Kan.
118.	Tali Joseph	Teacher	Bummidi	Tadepelligudem	Ladies, Society, Freemont, Kan.
119.	Chinnamu Annandayya	Catechist	Jaggampet	Jaggampet	Ladies' Missionary Society, Cambridge, Ill.
120.	Sundi Prakasem	Evangelist	Manavallore	Tadepelligudem	Junior Bible Class, Zion's, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
121.	Pettula Benjamin	Evangelist	Kasipadu	Tadepelligudem	Missionary Society, St. John's, Buffalo.
122.	Pottla Daniel	Teacher	Origedu	Tadepelligudem	Missionary Society, St. John's, Buffalo.
123.	Chitti Cornelius	Teacher	Tolern	Bhimawaram	Bethlehem Swedish, Chicago.
124.	Chitturi Andrew	Teacher	Vuppuluru	Bhimawaram	Mr. Nygaard, St. John's, Oshkosh, Wis.
125.	Geddam Jeevaratnam	Catechist	Tallapudi	Tallapudi	W. N. Peterson, Minneapolis.
126.	Vemuluri Jacob	Teacher	Tallapudi	Tallapudi	W. N. Peterson, Minneapolis.
127.	Gandhi Stellama	Teacher	Kansaepalem	Tallapudi	Catechetical Class, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
128.	Pantala Huldama	Teacher	Dommeru	Tallapudi	Ladies, Aid, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
129.	Boosi Marthama	Teacher		Tallapudi	Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Johnson.
130.	Chintala Veereswami	Evangelist	Dowlaishwaram	Dowlaishwaram	Church of the Apostles, Philadelphia.
131.	Nalli Thomas	Evangelist	Lolla	Dowlaishwaram	Church of the Apostles, Philadelphia.
132.	Irlaparti Johann	Evangelist	Chopella	Dowlaishwaram	Church of the Apostles, Philadelphia.

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133.	Franklin William	Teacher	Dowlaishwaram	Dowlaishwaram	Church of the Apostles, Philadelphia.
134.	Godi Sadhuru	Teacher	Undi	Bhimawaram	Church Council, Atonement, Buffalo.
135.	Konnala Prakasem	Teacher	Santraparam	Bhimawaram	Church Council, Atonement, Buffalo.
136.	Mayalabattulu Martin	Catechist	Sondaparru	Bhimawaram	Boys' League, Bethlehem Church, Philadelphia.
137.	Jerruprolu Jacob	Catechist	Jaggampet	Jaggampet	Sunday-school, St. James', Reading, Pa.
138.	Betala Peter	Catechist	Peddaguava	Bhimawaram	Ladies' Society, Monmouth, Ill.
139.	Manukonda Matthew	Teacher	Rajahmundry	Bhimawaram	Ladies' Society, Monmouth, Ill.
140.	Vipparti Prakasem	Teacher	Annawaram	Bhimawaram	Mrs. J. W. Felty, St. Paul's, Hartford, Conn.
141.	Raya Annama	Bible Woman	Rajahmundry		Woman's Missionary Society, St. John's, Duluth, Minn.
142.	Potturazu Sadhuru	Teacher	Vendra	Bhimawaram	Sunday-school Association, West Chicago District, Ill.
143.	Gope Meshech	Evangelist	Santra	Bhimawaram	Woman's Missionary Society, Mulberry, Ind.
144.	Dayalapalli Annama	Bible Woman	Tallapudi	Tallapudi	Woman's Missionary Society, Mulberry, Ind.
145.	Kattragedda Shadrach	Teacher	Korrapad	Bhimawaram	Foreign Mission Society, Keokuk, Iowa.
146.	Tuluri Meschech	Teacher	Viravasaram	Bhimawaram	Mission Class, Ottumwa, Iowa.
147.	Kusimi Abraham	Colporteur	Undalore	Bhimawaram	Mission Class, Ottumwa, Iowa.
148.	Yerragapati David	Teacher	Ramayagudem	Bhimawaram	Mission Class, Trinity, Rochester, N. Y.
149.	Addanki Samuel	Teacher	Narasimapalem	Bhimawaram	Luther League, Salemsburg, Kan.
150.	B. Sarah	Bible Woman	Dowlaishwaram		Three Sisters, Salemsburg, Kan.
151.	Unnamatla Mark	Teacher	Mogollu	Bhimawaram	Class 5, St. Peter's, Lancaster, Pa.
152.	Nalaperti Benjamin	Teacher	Pallakoderru	Bhimawaram	Rev. Carl Betz, Rochester. N. Y.
153.	Peetala Helena	Bible Woman	Torredu	Korukonda	Mrs. Maria Von Gerber, Boston, Mass.
154.	Vardanapu Joseph	Teacher	Namuduru	Bhimawaram	Friedens', Philadelphia.
155.	Akkuluri Joseph	Teacher	Konidivada	Bhimawaram	St. John's, New Castle, Pa.
156.	Vipparti Venkataratnam	Teacher	Jonnalapalem	Bhimawaram	Mrs. T. W. K. Becker, Redeemer, Buffalo.
157.	Boosi Bhushanam	Catechist	Komarada	Bhimawaram	Martha Society, Essex, Iowa.
158.	Bethala Benjamin	Teacher	Yennagundi	Bhimawaram	Catharine Rommel, Philadelphia.
159.	Gandi Paul	Teacher	Chinnabaram	Bhimawaram	Anna Johnson, Denver, Col.
160.	Madapati David	Teacher	Kovvada	Bhimawaram	Mrs. A. Peterson, Chicago.
161.	Vardanapu Andrew	Teacher	Vanipadu	Bhimawaram	J. H. Larson, Sioux City, Iowa.
162.	Pidakala Mariyama	Teacher	Gorlamudi	Bhimawaram	Church, Geneseo, Ill.
163.	Golagapalli Samuel	Colporteur	Bavaipalem	Bhimawaram	
164.	Manda Bhushanam	Teacher	Vissakoderu	Bhimawaram	Church in Paxton, Ill.
165.	Nanneti Krupavati	Teacher	Gootlapadu	Bhimawaram	Concordia, Buffalo.
166.	Alamuri Paul	Teacher	Durrusumarru	Bhimawaram	Concordia, Buffalo.
167.	Gedala Alfred	Teacher	Mamidigunta	Bhimawaram	Emily K. Dietz, Philadelphia.
168.	Kandikatla Agnes	Teacher	Pallakol	Bhimawaram	N. N., Chicago.
169.	Rava Denama	Teacher	Godaparti	Samulkot	Missionary Society, Delmont, Pa.
170.	Yerragapati Sadhuru	Teacher	Adivikolu	Bhimawaram	Sunday-school, Pontiac, R. I.
171.	Manukonda James	Teacher	Chakara	Bhimawaram	Sunday-school, Sioux City, Iowa.
172.	Sandi Barnabas	Teacher	Kapawaram	Bhimawaram	V. A. Swan, Sioux City, Iowa.

NOTE.—1. The amount fixed for the support of a Catechist is $50.00 a year; for an Evangelist, $35.00 a year; for a Teacher, $30.00 a year; for a Bible Woman, $30.00 a year; for a Colporteur, $20.00 a year.

2. The list published does not, of course, include all of our native workers, whose number is over 300. Only those assigned and a few additional names are published, the latter to indicate that those who wish to enter the list as supporters may get assignments.

STATISTICAL EXHIBIT FOR 1910.

Serial No.	WORK.	Membership at close of 1909.				Additions in 1910.						Losses during 1910.						Increase During 1910.
						By Baptism.												
		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Adult.	Children.	Total.	From Other Missions.	By Restoration.	Grand Total.	By Death.	By backsliding.	Excommunication.	To Other Villages.	To Other Missions.	Total Losses.	
1	St. Paul's Ch, Rajahmundry	129	129	98	356	7	25	32	4	.....	36	12	.....	.....	4	.....	16	20
2	Bhimawaram Field	2687	2603	4001	9291	206	193	399	15	187	601	139	38	.....	46	2	225	376
3	Dowlaishwaram Field	881	647	686	2214	60	71	131	7	.....	138	42	.....	.....	11	7	60	78
4	Jaggampet Field	71	51	91	213	30	25	55	1	.....	56	2	15	.....	.....	.....	17	39
5	Korukonda Field	94	62	109	265	43	27	70	2	.....	72	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	69
6	Samulkot Field	369	358	420	1147	125	50	175	.....	.....	175	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	167
7	Tadepalligudem Field	377	369	578	1324	53	43	96	.....	7	103	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	86
8	Tallapudi Field	366	339	451	1156	87	65	152	.....	1	153	11	5	.....	.....	2	18	135
9	Boys' Central School	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
10	Central Girls' School	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
11	Hindu Girls' Schools	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
12	Medical Work	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
13	Zenana Work	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
14	Peddapur High School	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
15	Training School for Masters	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
	Totals	4974	4558	6434	15966	611	499	1110	29	195	1334	234	58	.....	61	11	364	970

STATISTICAL EXHIBIT FOR 1910 (Continued).

Serial No.	WORK.	Schools.									Buildings.						Workers.											Villages having Christians or Inquirers		Congregations.	
			Pupils.														Native.							Foreign.								
			Christians.			Others.																										
		No. of Schools.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Grand Total.	Increase in 1910.	Bungalows.	Churches.	Prayer or School Houses.	Teachers' Houses.	Hospitals or Hostels.	Marriages.	Pastors.	Catechists.	Evangelists.	Bible Women.	School Teachers.	Total Native Workers.	Increase in 1910.	Ord'd Missionaries.	Lady Missionaries.	Missionaries Wives.	No. of Villages.	Increase in 1910.	No. Congregations.	Increase in 1910.
1	St. Paul's Ch, Rajahmundry.....	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	...	..	..	....	..	.	6	..	1	..	..	....	1	..	..	..	..	....	..	1	..
2	Bhimawaram Field	74	691	472	1163	581	282	863	2026	15	1	2	72	8	.	97	..	14	3	..	84	101	7	..	..	..	120	4	101	2
3	Dowlaishwaram Field	37	291	182	473	469	98	567	1040	125	1	3	37	17	.	17	..	1	8	2	43	54	1	1	..	1	114	5	94	1
4	Jaggampet Field	15	25	18	43	75	51	126	169	39	..	..	12	10	.	7	..	2	5	..	15	22	4	1	0	1	31	4	10	..
5	Korukonda Field	12	19	18	37	153	104	257	294	67	1	..	10	6	.	3	1	1	6	..	17	25	7	..	..	..	35	..	10	..
6	Samulkot Field	17	82	70	152	280	195	475	627	27	1	1	12	13	.	2	..	1	7	5	19	32	1	1	..	1	60	4	31	1
7	Tadepalligudem Field.....	20	111	75	186	147	58	205	391	40	1	2	15	5	.	22	..	..	8	..	28	36	5	1	..	..	79	29	30	3
8	Tallapudi Field	26	95	105	200	145	82	227	427	37	1	1	23	19	.	16	..	1	3	..	28	32	..	1	..	1	110	11	29	2
9	Boys' Central School	1	*149	1	150	13	....	13	163	35	1	..	....	1	1	...	..	..	..	..	6	6	..	1	..	..	....	..	....	..
10	Central Girls' School	1	....	165	165	....	3	3	168	19	1	..	....	..	1	...	..	..	..	..	5	5	1	..	0	..	....	..	....	..
11	Hindu Girls' Schools	6	....	11	11	....	280	280	291	48	1	..	2	2	.	...	..	..	..	..	12	12	2	..	1	..	....	..	....	..
12	Medical Work	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	...	1	..	.....	..	2	...	..	..	..	2	....	2	..	..	3	..	....	..	....	..
13	Zenana Work	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	...	..	..	....	..	.	...	..	..	..	9	....	9	2	..	2	..	....	..	....	..
14	Peddapur High School	1	16	....	16	349	....	349	365	†17	..	..	1	..	.	...	1	..	..	..	2	3	1	..	..	..	....	..	....	..
15	Training School for Masters.....	1	107	2	109	29	....	29	138	37	1	..	1	8	.	...	..	..	..	..	8	8	..	..	..	..	....	..	....	..
	Totals	211	1586	1119	2705	2241	1153	3394	6099	372	11	10	185	81	4	170	2	20	40	18	267	347	31	6	6	4	549	57	306	9

*Plus 13 boys in non-Christian high schools.
†Decrease.

STATISTICAL EXHIBIT FOR 1910 (Continued).

Serial No.	WORK.	Membership at end of 1910.				Communicants at end of 1910.	Increase in 1910.	Inquirers.	Sunday-schools.			Support of Mission Work.								
												Benevolence.			Other Cash Receipts.			Total.		
		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.				No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Pupils.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1	St. Paul's Ch, Rajahmundry	133	129	115	376	254	.....	.....	1	24	400	684	10	4	.....	...	...	684	10	4
2	Bhimawaram Field	2792	2681	4194	9667	5473	490	700	61	74	2060	1837	7	...	2778	15	6	4616	6	6
3	Dowlaishwaram Field	901	675	716	2292	1595	204	600	1	2	50	844	8	...	1170	10	...	2013	2	..
4	Jaggampet Field	90	77	102	269	115	13	.....	6	6	55	75	14	9	220	4	...	296	2	9
5	Korukonda Field	110	84	140	334	150	25	.....	11	11	157	81	8	6	375	6	...	456	14	6
6	Samulkot Field	464	380	470	1314	780	60	200	17	21	600	806	5	...	617	12	...	1424	1	..
7	Tadepalligudem Field	392	377	641	1410	769	56	200	9	15	404	359	15	3	993	14	3	1353	13	6
8	Tallapudi Field	408	384	499	1291	790	77	475	31	34	430	186	...	...	1034	14	...	1220	14	..
9	Boys' Central School	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	943	15	11	943	15	11
10	Central Girls' School	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	470	...	...	470	..	..
11	Hindu Girls' Schools	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	12	250	.....	...	...	590	...	...	590	..	..
12	Medical Work	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	7	150	57	12	...	2366	11	6	2424	7	6
13	Zenana Work	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	2	50	.....	...	...	.....	...	...	.....	..	..
14	Peddapur High School	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	8186	3	9	8186	3	9
15	Training School for Masters	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	2940	1	9	2940	1	9
	Totals	5290	4787	6877	16953	9926	925	2175	142	208	4156	4934	...	10	22688	12	8	27622	13	6

ACTION ON THE FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

All the recommendations on page 93, except No. 11, were adopted, Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 9 by a rising vote.

In connection with No. 6, it was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. John Haas,

Resolved, That the Mission Boards be instructed to prepare suitable literature for mission study classes.

In connection with No. 7 it was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Horn,

Resolved, That our Lutheran Colleges be requested to pay special attention to Mission Study.

In connection with No. 10, it was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. John Haas,

Resolved, That the various Mission Boards be asked to confer on the advisability of publishing a common missionary magazine.

Resolved, That No. 11 be referred to the Budget Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Jacobs, it was

Resolved, That the consideration of the Rules and Regulations for Foreign Missions contemplated in Resolution 9 on page 155, Minutes 1909, be postponed until the next convention, and that the committee named on page 197, Minutes 1909, be instructed to report at that time.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Kretschmann, it was

Resolved, That the General Council express its appreciation of the fact that at this time so many new missionaries are going out into the Foreign Mission field,—India, Japan, and the newly-opened field in Rangoon, with the prayer that God may go with them and prosper them in their labors.

2. That we commend those congregations and societies supporting or contributing to the support of individual missionaries, and that we express the hope that they will continue this manifestation of their interest.

The tellers reported the election of Dr. Schmauk as President.

The session closed with the use of the Lord's Prayer.

SECOND SESSION.

Friday, September 15, 9:15 a. m.

The Matin Service was conducted by the Rev. Wm. J. Miller, D.D., of Greensburg, Pa.

The minutes of the First Session were read, corrected, and adopted.

The result of the ballot for secretaries and treasurer was announced. See First Session.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. J. Fry, it was

Resolved, That the President and the English Recording Secretary be instructed to convey to the Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., of Philadelphia, the greeting of the General Council on attaining the 50th anniversary of his ordination, assuring him of our appreciation of his consecrated labors in behalf of the varied interests of the Church, together with our sympathy at his continual illness, and our best wishes and prayers for his speedy recovery and restoration to health.

At the request of Dr. Whitteker, President, Supt. Kunzmann presented the

REPORT OF THE ENGLISH HOME MISSION BOARD.

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

Fathers and Brethren:—Your English Home Mission Board, as your servant, and through you, of the District Synods cooperating, after two of the most difficult yet hopeful years in its history, presents to you the following statements of conditions and work, and prays for your hearty cooperation to realize the greater possibilities which God is offering to our General Council in the United States and Canada.

There have been trials within and without in our efforts to adjust the Plan of Unification, whose far-reaching importance and benefit are only beginning to be appreciated by those who are fully in sympathy with an effort to accomplish the entire work, to the conditions which confronted us and to arouse the Church to furnish the means for the work already in hand and still larger resources for the doing of that which has long been neglected. The Rules and Regulations, which after much thought and discussion, have been adopted and are appended to this report, will show an earnest effort to meet the situation and lead to more intelligent and systematic cooperation. The provision for the entire indebtedness of the Board, and the increase of the payment on apportionments during the last six months of the biennium have been most gratifying and encourage the Board to believe that our Church will continue to assist in the achievement of still larger results until we shall have made the most of our opportunities and have overtaken our obligations. Amid the imperative calls of the present, the time is past for apologies for neglect, for the dissipation of our energies in useless criticism over weaknesses, real or supposed, reflecting rather on the critic than on the criticized—weaknesses which are never absent from the most devoted servants or the most successful efforts of man. The time has come for united action and effort and for the most aggressive Home Mission work undertaken by our General Council, if we are at all interested in saving the scattered members of our household of faith and for demanding that all the tribes shall

go up unitedly to possess the Canaan which God has opened to us. There are difficulties, but this is the Lord's work and His presence will be with us.

Whilst the aggressive prosecution of any work in a body constituted like the General Council, through no special fault of any part thereof, will have difficulties, the English Home Mission work will always have its share, and some peculiar to itself.

The Home Mission problem is comparatively new to the whole Christian Church, newer to the Lutheran Church, and its newest phase is the *English Home Mission work.* If Palestine be called the Homeland, then the Apostolic Church made the only attempt at Home Mission work for centuries, and it ended in failure, in the destruction of Jerusalem. Paul went out to the heathen at Antioch, Asia Minor, Greece and Rome. The early and mediaeval Church continually went to the heathen. The Church of the Reformation was a State Church wherever she existed in Europe and had no distinct Home Mission problem. Otherwise were the Methodist, Baptist, and, to a great extent, the Presbyterian Church situated in the British Isles. Hence when the discovery and peopling of America took place, there was presented a great Home Mission problem for which these, and not we, were prepared, and hence they have increased by our loss. They understood the problem which we are too slowly learning. It was almost three hundred years after the discovery of America before Henry Melchior Muhlenberg came over with the motto "Ecclesia Plantanda." Time would fail us to enter into the difficulties which confronted him or to draw their lessons of warning. It was a hundred years after this before any systematic efforts were put forth to do the English Home Mission work. We have only been learning, and like all learners we find our hardest task just at the "commencement." This new problem, and its far-reaching importance, is not understood and hence not properly appreciated. Even where there are no differences of language, prior historical development or synodical distinctions, the Mother Church often looks with disfavor upon the daughter when the latter leaves the home without her sanction. The Synod of the Northwest, in the very nature of the case, had to demonstrate that she would not be a discordant element among the sisterhood of Synods before she was admitted to our fellowship.

Our work is now largely done in the presence of those who contribute towards its maintenance and are deeply interested in its prosecution, but who only see it on the outside and cannot be made acquainted with the inner details. Heretofore our work was confined to the outlying districts, among people as dependent as those among whom our German Board prosecuted its work in the Northwest. Still more dependent are those among whom our Porto Rico and our Foreign Mission Board are called to labor. Even among those in authority it has taken some time to come to an understanding of our mutual relations.

The new Board has also been compelled to adjust the new Home Mission policy, adopted by the General Council and the District Synods cooperating, to conditions and policies which had heretofore obtained. This could not be done without some friction. The old Board, composed of

men brought up under the same environment, acquainted with each other and with the work in which they had been for years engaged, had adjusted themselves to each other and to the work. In the new Board but seven of the former members remained, a number of these had not been associated with it for many years, and the rest were elected by the District Synods cooperating. It was a sad blow when our former President, the Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., who had been a member of the Board from its beginning and who had served during all its history except for two years when he removed to Philadelphia and the seat of the Board was still in Pittsburgh, felt constrained on account of sickness to retire from active cooperation. He was honored by election to advisory membership for life—a fitting tribute for years of faithful service. For the new Board, drawn from different portions of the Church, to have adjusted affairs and accomplished what they did, is cause for congratulation.

Besides, until recently this Board was hampered in prosecution of its work with an ever increasing debt. At the inauguration of Unification, a greatly increased work was placed under its care, but our Synods had not yet adjusted themselves to meet the demands. The working force was consequently decreased. The Field Missionaries who died, or were disabled by sickness, or accepted calls to congregations, could not be replaced because we did not have the means. When the Western District Superintendent and the Assistant for Eastern District took charge of important congregations, these offices could not be filled for the same reason. The most stout-hearted of our members were often distracted. Efforts were made by the members of the Board, but still no adequate relief came.

Whilst all now concede that the changes made in a number of missions, made with full consideration of the rights of all concerned, and resulting in each case for the best interests of the missions as well as of the missionaries who cooperated with the Board, it created considerable division both within and without the Board. The justice and wisdom of the same no one can gainsay, though the performance of the duty was not pleasant.

Your Board would not claim that it has been faultless. It does claim that it has discharged its obligations with a reasonable degree of success and under most trying conditions. We are now and ever ready to give a full account of our stewardship.

We therefore see in the action of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, taken at its last convention, an opportunity of conferring with its Board of Presidents and giving to them an account which will justify the confidence reposed in us, and we will gladly welcome similar opportunities to correct misunderstandings.

The various actions of the Pittsburgh Synod in reference to Unification, have been reported to this body. After the Synod had instructed its Executive Committee to turn over its missions, along with its Sister Synods, to the General Board, a constitutional question was raised at its meeting August, 1908, and the matter was "referred to the next Convention for final settlement." Action was postponed until 1910. At the Convention of 1910 it was "Resolved, That the Pittsburgh Synod instruct its Executive Committee to investigate the whole Unification plan, including our own

Synod's work, *in connection with the Home Mission Board of the General Council,* and report at our next convention their findings and recommendations." This committee reported to Synod in 1911 but action was deferred.

We regret that the Executive Committee did not consider this whole subject as the resolution of Synod directed *"in connection with the Home Mission Board of the General Council;"* and that they reported their findings and recommendations without consulting with us as brethren either personally or by letter.

THE WORK.

The results obtained under the conditions set forth are most satisfactory. There is commendable progress in every department and on the territory of every Synod. The advance is not uniform as the opportunities were not equal.

In the Synod of Central Canada a vigorous mission has been established at Ottawa, the capital of the Dominion. Our Field Missionary, besides acting as President of the Synod has taken a prominent part in the work preliminary to the founding of a Divinity School. He will be sent to establish a mission at Halifax, the capital of Nova Scotia, where our Church once had a flourishing German congregation whose property is now in the possession of the Episcopal Church. This will be the first assistance we have been able to render to the Nova Scotia Synod.

In the New York and New England Synod we have established Grace Mission, Bronx, New York City. Rev. G. C. Loos, our Field Missionary has established two self-sustaining missions, one at Freeport, L. I., and the other at Flatbush, Brooklyn. He has also organized Covenant, Nativity, and Holy Trinity missions in Brooklyn, and has canvassed a number of points for whose care we have no adequate missionary force. Instead of one Field Missionary we ought to have six, if we wish even to make a decent pretense at doing the mission work on this rich and important field.

In the Ministerium of Pennsylvania the missions have enjoyed steady growth and have made commendable progress. Many of the most difficult vacancies have been supplied and new missions have been organized by Field Missionary, the Rev. Chas. K. Fegley, at Hershey, Nesquehoning and Palmerton. The Eastern District Superintendent and Field Missionary for Philadelphia, the Rev. F. A. Bowers, besides doing valuable work all over the territory, has rendered special service in connection with Good Shepherd Mission, Overbrook, and All Saints Church, Philadelphia. The Conference Mission Committees are cooperating with our Field Missionaries in canvassing new points. Salem Mission, Frankford, and the Church of our Saviour, Philadelphia; St. Stephen's, North Bethlehem; Grace and St. Stephen's, Allentown—five missions—have become self-sustaining during the biennium. To adequately cultivate this territory we need two additional field missionaries. One such officer could be employed in re-arranging and stimulating some of the older missions.

The most important single effort of the Board on this territory was the saving of All Saints Church, Germantown Avenue and Cayuga street, Philadelphia. The congregation numbered 214 communicants, with one

of the most complete equipments of any Lutheran Church in the city; church building, parish hall and parsonage, valued at $60,000, and with an indebtedness of $46,000. This congregation was having its mortgage foreclosed. It asked and secured a dismissal from the Eastern Pennsylvania Synod to unite with the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. After a satisfactory adjustment of all matters with the authorities of the Eastern Pennsylvania Synod, the Home Mission and Church Extension Board of the General Synod, the matter was referred by the Philadelphia English Conference of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania to the Treasurer and Superintendent of the Home Mission Board of the General Council and by them to the Board. A committee was appointed to cooperate with the congregation in rearranging the indebtedness and providing a sufficient fund to meet the current expenses for the next five years, when, from present indications of growth the congregation shall be able to comfortably meet all its obligations and shall have made considerable reduction in its indebtedness. The Rev. F. A. Bowers, unanimously elected to the pastorate of this congregation, resigned his position as Assistant Superintendent for the Eastern District and Field Missionary for Philadelphia. At present the position of Eastern District Superintendent is vacant. Rev. U. S. G. Bertolet began his labors as Field Missionary for Philadelphia September 1st of this year.

In the District Synod of Ohio special progress has been made in the missions at Toledo and Barberton. A new interest in Home Missions has been awakened by our earnest pastors and our Field Missionary, Rev. Luther Hogshead. He has given valuable assistance by supplying the facts from a careful, painstaking and systematic study of the entire State. Besides the numerous duties which fall to the lot of a Field Missionary, the Emaus Mission at Cleveland, Ohio, was placed under his special care, and the results are highly satisfactory. He has also canvassed other parts of the city which he reports are still more promising than the one which has been assigned to him. We are anxious that at least three field missionaries should be sent into this State to care for our General Council interests. Two missions, one at Leetonia and one at Pemberville, where there were no prospects for the establishment of self-sustaining congregations for many years to come, are now served in connection with self-supporting parishes. The Synod has been loyal to the cause and has again increased its contributions to our fund for the year 1911 by $831.44 over the banner year of 1910.

In the Chicago Synod one new mission was begun in South Oak Park, Chicago. We have, however, received again on the funds of our Board a number of congregations which were once self-sustaining—St. Mark's, St. John's, Chicago; Aurora, Woodstock, and Buckley, Illinois; and St. Paul's, Detroit. The Board under certain conditions has also agreed to assist Holy Trinity, Chicago, which was our first mission in that city. Whilst all our missions on this territory are in better condition than at our last report, neither the expectations of the Synodical nor the General Board have been realized.

Rev. Paul Wagner Roth, Field Missionary for Michigan, on account of temporarily failing health, was constrained to resign and has since accepted a position with the Deaconess Motherhouse at Milwaukee.

Rev. A. C. Anda accepted the call to the Wicker Park Church and resigned the position of Western District Superintendent.

In the English Synod of the Northwest the Lake Park Mission, Milwaukee, to which the Rev. F. E. Cooper has gone, promises unusual results. Even before an organization had been effected, eighteen thousand dollars were pledged and a loan of seven thousand five hundred dollars promised for a church building. It was on the territory of this Synod that our late lamented Field Missionary, the Rev. J. A. Zundel labored so successfully and laboriously. Our President was delegated to attend the funeral and convey the sympathies of the Board to the bereaved, and a suitable minute of his faithful services was entered upon our records. At present we do not have a Field Missionary on this territory which covers five states, where we ought to have at least one for each state and one located in the Twin Cities and another in Milwaukee. Notable progress has been made in the Church of the Reformation, Milwaukee, Church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis., and in the Church of the Redeemer, Livingston, Montana, and in our Winnipeg mission.

On the territory of the Pacific Synod we have but four missions at the present time—Holy Trinity, Salt Lake City, Utah; St. John's, Tacoma; St. Mark's, Bellingham; Washington and Grace, Victoria, B. C. We have but one field missionary where we ought to have four at least: one for Oregon, a second for Washington, a third for Idaho in which we have not as yet made a beginning, and a fourth for British Columbia. Besides this we ought to have several travelling missionaries who, preaching weekdays and Sundays, shall visit regularly our people in the smaller settlements of these large districts and prevent them from falling away from the Church and the Grace of God.

The financial condition of the Board has greatly improved during the last six months of the biennium. The Superintendent after his first vacation in a period of seven years, had returned invigorated from a three months' tour of Europe. He began an agitation for an increase in contributions, for a more adequate payment of the apportionments and a canvass for a special $20,000 fund to wipe out what had been, up to that time, a steadily increasing indebtedness. By the first of May, 1911, subscriptions for the entire amount had been secured and $14,066.65 of the same paid in, and in addition thereto a sum sufficient to pay the expenses of the entire canvass such as railroad fare, printing, postage. There will be left to the Board a net income of $20,000 from this effort. Everywhere the Superintendent and his assistants (who gathered almost $2,000 of this amount) were welcomed by our pastors, and our laymen manifested their interest with liberal contributions. The regular income of the Board was also increased—$40,985.56 was received in the year 1911 as over against $30,598.07 in the year 1910 in addition to the proceeds of the $20,000 fund. The Board decided that the following resolution should be incorporated in its report to the General Council:

"*Resolved,* That we express our satisfaction at the financial condition of this Board as compared with that of six and ten months ago and rejoice that the whole of the debt has been paid or provision made for its payment—that we congratulate and compliment our Superintendent upon the successful completion of this effort to raise $20,000 to liquidate our indebtedness."

The present Superintendent entered the work April 1st, 1899, with an indebtedness of $12,000 resting upon the Board. This was wiped out by his unaided efforts by the first of September of that same year. Whilst the work has continually enlarged he has been compelled to gather considerable sums every year which were expended for special work for which the apportionments could not provide. The Board also has an endowment fund of $8,881.00 specially contributed, of which amount $6,881.00 was added during his incumbency.

"Your Finance Committee would respectfully report that they have examined and vouched the accounts of the Treasurer for the term ending April 30th, 1911, and find the same correct: they have also had produced to them and have examined the several securities aggregating the sum of eight thousand eight hundred and eighty-one dollars as reported in the Endowment Fund."

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. SNYDER, *Chairman.*

RECEIPTS.	1910	1911
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$17,783 68	$24,575 30
District Synod of Ohio	3,426 57	4,267 70
New York and New England	3,172 93	3,133 84
Pittsburg Synod	3,016 38	2,246 62
Chicago Synod	2,903 20	2,850 00
Synod of the Northwest	1,141 25	2,383 36
Synod of Central Canada	892 45	884 76
Pacific Synod	370 86	273 00
Nova Scotia Synod	76 51	26 05
New York Ministerium	50 91	83 30
Congregations	1,235 27	343 42
Individuals	3,399 13	11,946 16
Legacies	600 00	.....
Interest on deposits	45 04	74 00
Church Extension	.....	184 90
Portable Chapel	.....	1,783 86
	$38,114 18	$55,052 31
Deducting $7,516.11 counted twice	.....	$30,598.07
Total for 1910-12	.....	$85,650 38

This total of $85,650.38 for the biennium ending May, 1911, as over against the total of $$55,409.17 as reported in 1909, is a gratifying increase.

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries, etc., 1909-1910		$48,447 21
Salaries, etc., 1910-1911	$41,697 63	
Loans, Interest, etc., 1910-1911	14,032 52	
		$55,730 15
Endowment Fund of the Board		$ 8,881 00

The indebtedness of the Board May, 1911, $13,500, has since been paid.

This, then, is the work and its results of the last biennium. Any man with missionary intelligence, who will carefully analyze the facts will be surprised as we are, at the large measure of success accomplished by our depleted mission force, and with the inadequate income of the first eighteen months of our present biennium. For even if we had received from the beginning of, and through the biennium an income like that which came to us in the last six months of the same, it would still have been inadequate for our work. For if our General Council has been specially weak in any direction, it has been in the contributions to Home Missions, whether they be German or English.

GENERAL SYNOD.

Whilst we have never denied the justice of the contention that it is unjust to keep others out of a field which is not cultivated, a field for whose proper cultivation no provision is attempted, we still protest against the General Synod's Home Mission Board entering into the territory of our Pacific and Northwest Synods, as to which a compact exists, without first submitting the matter to the Arbitration Board, as we requested. We had expected from the utterances of the General Synod at its convention held in Richmond, Indiana, and from the efforts made by the President of the General Council, that no steps would be taken by that Board to enter upon our territory, (and had so requested them without receiving a reply to our communications), before the whole matter would be adjusted according to our compact. We have all along felt that if we could hear their claims and they hear ours before any work was attempted, a satisfactory adjustment could have been reached. We do maintain when two bodies have made a compact which is differently interpreted by each, that the one has no right to enter upon the work which the other considers a violation of that compact, before a joint committee of the two bodies has determined the scope and meaning. We still claim that the General Synod's Home Mission Board should withdraw its missionaries from the disputed territory until the rights of each party to the compact are decided and that this ought to be a condition precedent to the meeting of that committee. We can arrange to take care of the field, if there be any scruples on that score, until the entire question is settled. We claim that there was first a verbal agreement as to the territory in dispute by representatives of both Boards, acquiesced in by each, approved by the Church in general and actually lived up to until recently by both parties, and that there is, secondly, a distinct written compact adopted by both bodies, and that the sending of a missionary to Seattle, Washington, and another to Grand Forks, N. D., is in violation of both and done despite our appeals. The Synod of the Northwest, at its recent meeting protested against this invasion of their territory.

7. GENERAL COUNCIL HOME MISSIONS.

I. Supported by the Board of English Home Missions.

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence	Value of Property.
Atlantic City, N. J.	St. Andrew's	Theo. Buch	300	61	114	$ 1934 55	$ 31 00	$ 25,000
Trenton, N. J.	Our Saviour	John C. Mattes	350	227	168	1942 34	219 62	18,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Resurrection	D. I. Sulzbach	347	282	350	1739 11	218 81	16,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Zion	F. W. Friday	129	108	139	1612 79	104 42	7,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Memorial	J. W. H. Heintz	261	220	315	3093 94	72 53	50,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Mediator	A. C. Sumons	219	112	108	2078 15	45 00	6,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Good Shepherd	Vacant	95	28	65	312 30	.....	7,800
Philadelphia, Pa.	Advocate	J. C. Fisher	170	159	230	2303 46	96 86	10,000
Manoa, Pa.	Trinity	Vacant	51	40	10	.....	.....	10,000
Camden, N. J.	Christ	F. I. Paul	250	108	154	1200 00	.....	4,000
Wildwood, N. J.	Trinity	Vacant	67	58	70	3277 50	103 66	11,000
Magnolia, N. J.	Trinity	Vacant	20	.....	23	.....	.....	3,500
Eden, Pa.	Redeemer	Vacant	41	31	64	.....	.....	5,250
Shillington, Pa.	Grace	J. H. Neimann	92	81	205	1107 63	16 64	3,500
Oakbrook, Pa.	Redeemer	J. H. Neimann	34	10	90	171 38	3 00	1,000
Northampton Heights, Pa.	St. Matthew's	J. S. Renninger	190	80	170	552 20	27 55	3,600
E. Allentown, Pa.	St. Joseph's	P. A. Behler	263	116	307	227 84	127 84	12,000
Easton, Pa.	Colored	J. C. Burton	57	23	34	473 80	4 00	3,000
N. Water Gap, Pa.	St. Mark's	Vacant	49	.....	54	.....	.....	4,000
Scranton, Pa.	St. Paul's	W. S. Heist	250	126	146	989 87	88 32	12,000
Sayre, Pa.	St. John's	E. M. Beysher	107	102	106	1707 88	94 81	8,600
Gouldsboro, Pa.	Grace	Vacant	54	.....	100	.....	.....	7,800
Packerton, Pa.	Zion	F. E. Reichard	190	93	121	894 45	45 22	4,600
Ricketts, Pa.	St. John's	A. L. Smith	164	41	141	765 80	51 05	1,500
Lehighton, Pa.	Grace	F. Croman	161	147	200	1237 40	102 29	11,000
Quakake, Pa.	Christ	E. P. Xander	232	111	159	768 80	68 80	5,000
Pine Grove, Pa.	St. Peter's	Geo. Kirschke	66	35	127	124 00	.....	3,600
Dow P. O., Pa.	St. Mark's	Geo. Kirschke	34	23	11	109 80	.....	3,000
Cherryville, Pa.	St. Matthew's	Geo. Kirschke	24	15	70	66 00	.....	1,500
Llewellyn, Pa.	Frieden's	Vacant	127	.....	73	.....	.....	2,000
Palmyra, Pa.	Palm	F. C. Krapf	125	78	116	11997 79	85 30	11,500
Hershey, Pa.	Holy Trinity	F. C. Krapf	65	25	49	317 19	15 93	1,900
Harrisburg, Pa.	Holy Communion	W. H. Fehr	266	140	163	2082 30	219 74	8,500
Lancaster, Pa.	St. Mark's	J. H. Strenge	218	134	209	1407 35	60 71	8,600

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Member-ship.	Communi-cant Membership	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence	Value of Property.
Lancaster, Pa.	Redeemer	H. T. Clymer	159	62	97	444 68	31 48	10,000
Lititz, Pa.	St. James	H. T. Clymer	.....	39	53	.....	.....	5,000
Jersey Shore, Pa.	First	Vacant	66	.....	71	.....	.....	4,500
Berwick, Pa.	Trinity	W. H. Berk	120	72	72	865 64	37 57	8,800
Richfield, Pa.	St. John's	W. J. Huntsinger	231	195	120	400 00	107 53	6,000
Folsom, N. J.	St. James	C. D. Clauss	101	.....	47	.....	.....	6,000
Risley, N. J.	St. John's	C. D. Clauss	58	.....	33	.....	.....	.....
Palmerton, Pa.	Holy Trinity	C. K. Fegley	21	18	41	.....	.....	.....
Mildred, Pa.	Trinity	J. H. Ritter	151	97	87	.....	.....	5,000
Cherry Twp., Pa.	Peace	J. H. Ritter	116	66	.....	.....	.....	.....
Special.								
Philadelphia, Pa.	All Saints	F. A. Bowers	565	325	240	.....	.....	75,000
Missions of the Pennsylvania Ministerium transferred to the Self-sustaining List.								
Philadelphia, Pa.	Our Saviour	C. M. Sandt	336	161	258	$ 917 67	$ 87 26	$ 11,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Salem	F. Miller	329	143	197	772 70	84 07	3,000
N. Bethlehem, Pa.	St. Stephen's	C. J. Cooper, D.D.	213	127	202	354 93	40 57	2,500
Allentown, Pa.	St. Stephen's	I. W. Klick	600	282	389	924 02	108 34	18,000
S. Allentown, Pa.	Grace	J. H. Raker	360	160	270	408 84	63 75	4,500
	50 Missions.	34 Missionaries.	8,494	4,561	6,639	$ 45,984.10	$ 2,464.73	$ 451,050
DISTRICT SYNOD OF OHIO.								
Toledo, Ohio	St. Luke's	E. M. Potts	324	221	136	1643 29	125 17	8,700
Yondota, Ohio	St. Luke's	R. E. M. Engers	171	121	52	237 24	36 75	3,700
Coshocton, Ohio	Emmanuel	Vacant	127	.....	74	600 00	15 00	7,000
Coshocton, Ohio	St. Paul's	Vacant	150	.....	66	500 00	.....	4,500
Defiance, Ohio	Zion's	Vacant	232	.....	105	.....	.....	10,000
Holgate, Ohio	St. Peter's	John Knauer	200	98	71	361 24	33 52	1,500
Stanley, Ohio	St. John's	John Knauer	80	.....	61	556 32	37 00	5,000
Paulding, Ohio	St. Paul's	A. C. Wuchter	98	59	81	254 50	.....	.....
Broughton, Ohio	St. Paul's	A. C. Wuchter	50	12	.....	165 00	.....	.....
Charloe, Ohio	St. John's	A. C. Wuchter	5	5	41	.....	.....	.....
Emerald Twp., Ohio	Zion	A. C. Wuchter	90	12	.....	50 00	.....	.....
W. Carrollton, Ohio	Grace	L. P. Pence	146	79	102	644 06	48 82	3,000
Ingomar, Ohio	St. John's	L. P. Pence	175	69	111	233 15	24 81	5,600
Barberton, Ohio	First	H. C. TerVehn	275	129	136	1399 00	.....	4,000
Cleveland, Ohio	Emmaus	L. Hogshead	355	88	243	643 18	.....	2,500

Missions of the District Synod of Ohio transferred to the Self-sustaining List

Leetonia, Ohio	St. John's	J. H. Graf						2,500
Pemberville, Ohio	Martin Luther							5,000
	17 Missions.	8 Missionaries.	2,478	893	1,279	$7,286 98	$321 07	$63,000

NORTHWEST SYNOD.

Livingston, Mont	Redeemer	F. W. Klingensmith	82	56	76	1844 24	82 54	3,000
Winnipeg, Canada	First	P. E. Baisler	195	73	106	2060 50	62 00	10,000
Inwood, Canada	St. John's	P. E. Baisler	102					
(Seven Oaks) Minneapolis, Minn								
Minneapolis, Minn	Holy Communion	Vacant						600
Minneapolis, Minn	Redeemer	C. J. Rockey	75	72	232			
Superior, Wis	Holy Trinity	W. H. Gable	275	120	170	1687 87	162 43	7,500
Madison, Wis	Trinity	H. R. Gold	165	95	48	807 64	54 06	600
Middleton, Wis	First	H. R. Gold	50	38	115	115 67		
Oshkosh, Wis	St. John's	Vacant	140		59			5,500
Beloit, Wis	Atonement	Paul H. Roth	331	133	123	1468 15	95 39	9,400
Afton, Wis	Trinity	Paul H. Roth	40	24				
Racine, Wis	Atonement	W. F. Rex	164	148	243	2270 81	80 81	15,950
Cedarburg, Wis	Advent	T. F. Weiskotten	105	69	46	6026 28	43 00	15,543
Milwaukee, Wis	Reformation	A. J. Holl	614	275	332	3660 74	75 36	35,000

Missions of the Northwest Synod transferred to the Self-sustaining List.

N. St. Paul, Minn	St. Mark's	R. A. Helms						
Minneapolis, Minn	Trinity	L. B. Deck						4,000
	17 Missions.	11 Missionaries.	2,338	1,103	1,550	$19,941 90	$655 59	$107,093

PACIFIC SYNOD.

Tacoma, Wash	St. John's	C. F. W. Stoever	548	158	127	913 31	19 36	20,000
Bellingham, Wash	St. Mark's	Theo. Schoenberg	183	97	67	1333 38	37 00	7,310
Salt Lake City, Utah	Trinity	F. W. Bussard	89	37	33			14,500
Spanish Forks, Utah	English Lutheran	F. W. Bussard	65	40	25			800
Victoria, B. C	Grace	W. C. Drahn	75	30	40	1620 95		
Medford, Ore	Zion	Conrad Wilker	60	16				
	6 Missions.	5 Missionaries.	1,020	378	292	$3,867 64	$56 36	$42,610

CHICAGO SYNOD.

Chicago, Ills	Atonement	P. C. Baer	241	199	145	1002 45	112 05	11,000
Chicago, Ills	Epiphany	Vacant	246	123	145	1038 80	77 96	
Chicago, Ills	St. Matthew's	P. J. Gerberding	350	161	171	1766 00		9,500
Chicago, Ills	Redeemer	J. R. E. Hunt	348	146	220	1741 44	51 25	11,000

CHICAGO SYNOD (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Member-ship.	Communi-cant Membership	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence	Value of Property.
Chicago, Ills	St. James	L. E. Wein	375	114	236	1309 54	25 55	11,000
Chicago, Ills	St. Mark's	C. L. Warstler	255	117	173	.....	25 00	10,000
Chicago, Ills	St. John's	C. Ziegelbrier	107	52	55	1615 53	87 60	11,000
Lafayette, Ind	Trinity	E. D. S. Boyer	326	123	99	10946 52	76 90	20,000
Detroit, Mich	St. Paul's	J. W. Paetznick	275	150	110	1805 25	15 00	7,000
Detroit, Mich	Christ	A. M. Sappenfield	200	85	35	2862 19	39 88	1,500
Woodstock, Ills	Grace	R. C. Kaufmann	233	93	119	1033 25	30 25	2,000
Aurora, Ills	Redeemer	Vacant	220	115	129	.....	.....	15,000
Missions of the Chicago Synod transferred to the Self-sustaining List.								
Alexandria, Ind	Our Saviour	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,000
	13 Missions.	10 Missionaries.	3176	1478	1637	$25,220 97	$541 44	$124,000
NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND SYNOD.								
Hartford, Conn	St. Paul's	C. E. Blethen	241	144	75	$ 524 18	$ 144 73	$ 20,000
Brooklyn, N. Y	Covenant	G. C. Loos	55	20	214	547 16	56 22	6,900
Brooklyn, N. Y	Nativity	G. C. Loos	30	15	20	479 80	11 00	.....
Brooklyn, N. Y	Holy Trinity	G. C. Loos	27	16	13	250 00	65 00	27,000
Yonkers, N. Y	Redeemer	Paul H. Rudh	164	108	67	1278 10	.....	16,000
Corona, N. Y	St. Bartholomew's	Vacant	153	52	115	584 00	12 89	4.500
Brooklyn, N. Y	St. Andrew's	O. S. Yerger	477	140	444	166 25	50 30	12,000
New Britain, Conn	Reformation	Vacant	226	84	125	603 74	78 64	7,000
Missions of the New York and New England Synod transferred to the Self-sustaining List.								
Freeport, N. Y	Christ	O. V. Werner	.....	59	83	$ 780 00	103 83	10,000
Brooklyn, N. Y	St. Barnabas	E. H. Tarfford	50	30	78	115 34	.....	.....
Weehawken, N. J	Good Shepherd	E. E. Stuckert	196	126	164	1853 68	61 54	$ 2,400
	11 Missions.	7 Missionaries.	2271	1138	1793	$ 19,307 55	$ 890 18	$ 162,550
SYNOD OF CENTRAL CANADA.								
Brantford, Ont	St. Matthew's	M. J. Bieber	60	26	27	151 64	.....	.....
Unionville, Ont	Bethesda	J. Maurer	69	39	52	2249 08	134 56	6,500
Buttonville, Ont	St. John's	J. Maurer	22	18	25	548 91	6 30	13,000
Ottawa, Can	St. Peter's	M. J. Bieber	99	104	74	514 58	139 78	8,200
	4 Miss.ons.	2 Missionaries.	250	187	178	$3,464 22	$280 64	$27,700
Grand Total	118 Missions.	77 Missionaries.	20027	9738	13368	$ 128,673 36	$5,210 01	$978,003

STATUS AND WORK OF THE MISSIONS, MAY, 1910, TO MAY, 1911.

We would call special attention to the *Home Missionary,* a sixteen-page monthly, issued by our Board in the interest of Home Missions and Church Extension at 25 cents per copy per year; in clubs of twenty or more, 10 cents per copy; $2.00 for twenty copies, $3.00 for 30, $4.00 for 40, or $5.00 for 50, etc. Many have been asking for good literature at popular prices. It is one of the very best edited journals of its kind issued by any Church, and should have a far wider circulation. We ask the vice-presidents of our General Council to call the attention of their Synods to this monthly, full of inspiring home missionary facts.

A MORE AGGRESSIVE POLICY DEMANDED.

In order that we might more fully understand the Home Mission situation, the Board sent its General Superintendent on a tour of inspection throughout the United States and Canada. In our report to the General Council in 1907, the large, fruitful and important English Home Mission field for which we have been held responsible has been outlined, but with the exception of establishing one mission in British Columbia, the voice of an English Lutheran Missionary has not been raised in numerous States of the Union and Provinces of Canada then unsupplied, to gather our anglicized children into our Church. Nor have we been able to meet the expectations of our brethren of the United Synod of the South by sending a Field Missionary into Alabama. We dare not attempt to justify such neglect nor remain satisfied with the smallness of our present work. Our recent investigations have impressed us with the greatness of the opportunities already lost and with the far greater opportunities which we will trifle away, unless a tremendous advance is sounded and followed with unflagging energy until we shall have gathered the blessed harvest which a kind Providence has ripened for us on this Western Continent. The results of English Home Mission enterprise in such a State as New York, for example, accomplished at so slight a cost in the recent past, should have spurred the Church to greater liberality toward the Eastern field, enabling us to fight the battle for righteousness in its growing cities, and throw a far stronger force into New England.

What shall we say of the territory west of Pennsylvania? The District Synod of Ohio is rousing itself to the great task in Ohio, and the smaller Chicago Synod in Chicago, the rest of Illinois, Indiana and Michigan. In the latter State we have but two English Lutheran congregations in the city of Detroit, where our foreign-speaking Lutherans already outnumber any other Protestant denomination, and both are missions. In Wisconsin, where 56 per cent. of the Protestant population are Lutherans, we have fifteen, and in Minnesota, where the percentage rises to 59, we have eighteen. In North Dakota, where 63 per cent. of the entire population is Lutheran, St. Mark's, at Fargo, shines as the Lone Star of the Red River Valley. We have no English Lutheran mission or church in South Dakota, Idaho, Wyoming, or Nevada. We have spoken about Texas to some extent, and so far it has ended in sound. We have scarcely mentioned Okla-

homa, Indian Territory, New Mexico or Arizona. We have one mission in Montana, two in Utah, two in Oregon, and four in Washington.

Fathers and Brethren, look at what our Board has been forced to neglect because of the lack of means, and surely the neglect is not to continue for two years more.

Then what shall be said and done about the Dominion of Canada? Here is a stretch of country larger than the United States, and the vast Alaskan territory combined. It is called "the hope of the twentieth century," its twenty-one provinces already increasing in population faster than the United States ever did. Only 5 per cent. of its arable land is under cultivation. It has more miles of railroad proportionate to inhabitants than any other country in the world, and two additional trans-continental lines are rapidly nearing completion. Its wealth in water power, timber, fish and minerals is unsurpassed. The people who are taking advantage of the liberal offers of the government for the securing of homesteads are morally, religiously, physically, mentally, financially and economically the best class of settlers upon the virgin soil of any country on the face of the earth. Nor is there a district in the United States known to your Board where the population is so easily reached by the Gospel, or where outsiders are so ready to assist a Lutheran mission, as the Districts of Canada, whether east or west, in which we have labored. The remarkable success of our operations under Field Missionary Bieber in the eastern section, where Montreal became self-sustaining after five years of help, where Toronto, Guelph, Galt and Hamilton were self-sustaining from the beginning, where Port Colbourne sprang full-armed to our help and Ottawa came into a vigorous life, where Unionville and Buttonville were saved from disintegration and the two parishes, the sole survivors of a mistaken mission policy, united with the above in the formation of the Synod of Central Canada, which is attempting great things for God, whilst it is expecting great things from God—yes, we say this remarkable success should have caused the people of our General Council to fill its treasuries, so that it might look after our scattered brethren in that great western territory on our north. Yet on this vast territory your Board is only able to expend $2,000 per year, sending Field Missionary Drahn to Victoria and locating Missionary Baisler at Winnipeg, charging him with the work in that city and in the regions beyond. When we consider that in the month of June of this year 40,000 new settlers took up farms in Canada, that over 26,000 of these came as farmers from the United States, it is easy to figure out the religious complexion of a very large proportion. As the Lutheran Church is more strongly represented among the farming class of the West than any other denomination, the largest work among these people is ours. Are we going to shirk our duty and shout back empty excuses as in the past? Our record condemns us. We leave that eastern development at Toronto and pass on to Winnipeg, a distance of more than 1,000 miles, and through a territory 1,400 miles wide, and then we come to one mission consisting of the congregation of that city and a preaching place at Inwood and then we pass through another district 1,400 miles wide and fifteen

hundred and sixty-nine miles long, and reach our next mission at Victoria, B. C.,—in all a territory 2,669 miles long with an average width of 1,400 miles. This territory has settlements, towns and cities, where we have not provided our people with the means of grace. Is there a district in India, China or Japan, yea even in darkest Africa, of such magnitude where the Christian Church has neglected the heathen, as we have neglected our own household of faith, and seem ready to continue the neglect? The Methodists and Baptists and Episcopalians send in their missionary forces by the fifties. The Presbyterians have so organized their work that there is not a settlement of twelve families in the whole Dominion, where their missionaries do not regularly minister to them.

We have found in our limited time, many places where there are nucleii of ungathered Germans, Swedes, Norwegians, Danes, Icelanders, anglicized Canadians and American Lutherans, too few of either to form a congregation on the basis of any European language, but which could be united on the basis of the language of the land and be thus profitably served by a judicious pastor who would be willing to make such added provisions as the circumstances would demand. We must clearly and fully understand that the only portion of our Church which is permanent, the only finished product which comes out of this cauldron, is the English portion, and that all else is in a state of transition.

Would it be unreasonable to ask an additional sum of $42,000—$2,000 for each of the provinces of the Dominion? When we recall that the twenty-one provinces of Canada cover a larger territory than the fifty states and territories of the Union, and that these provinces are now passing through one of the most critical periods in their history, $42,000 for the entire twenty-one provinces is still a beggarly sum for this work of the Lord. Possibly we do not have the courage to ask for more because of the narrowness of the environment in which we were reared and in which we still live.

BRETHREN, WHAT SHALL WE DO?

The only thing to do is to do! The only answer that we can make is to go forward and collect, in addition to the $62,000 apportionment, a special fund of $60,000 per year for the employment of an aggressive Field Missionary force for the United States and Canada. We cannot expect to raise this additional amount by the apportionment, as that would throw a burden too heavy upon the shoulders of our pastors. We ask for open doors and hearts when we send our General Superintendent and his assistants from city to city on a campaign of education and inspiration. Faith, of which we and our Confessions so beautifully teach, which on the one hand alone justifies and on the other is never alone, will accomplish the work. Without faith in the Divine promises and the consciousness that we are God's children and He is with us, the work cannot be done. In the sphere and province of the individual, congregation, Synod or General Council, achievement is always proportionate to the measure of faith. Let a subjective, personal faith, propagate the objective faith once delivered to the saints and handed down to us in its purity by our fathers. Let us

do it in the language of the Angles and the Saxons in this land, discovered in an age which was longing for the leadership of the miner's son, whose Protestantizing was directed by God, and for whose Lutheranizing the opportunity is furnished by the religious unrest and yearning for certainty among the denominations, and by our Church's firm adherence to the truth derived from the old world and her consciousness of a great mission to the new. If we be men like Isaachar, "understanding the times," and men like Paul, "redeeming the time," then our Lutheran Church will be able to retrieve in this twentieth century and on this North American Continent, and through it in the world at large, the losses she has sustained in the centuries since that monk shook the world.

THE ACTIONS OF THE LAST CONVENTION OF THI GENERAL COUNCIL.

Minutes pages 116-118. First the instructions of the General Council with reference to the amendment of the charter of the Board have been followed, the change adopted by the Board.

Second. The item in our report with reference to securing more men for the ministry was referred to the Committee on Education. As the work of our Board and of all our Mission Boards, is in the last analysis dependent upon the ministerial supply, we are deeply interested in this matter. Many congregations and missions in our General Council are still vacant, and unless something is done speedily and effectively, we cannot accomplish the work which we have here outlined. We believe that the time has come for the appointment of a special committee charged with this important matter, keeping alive the question before the Church and reporting to the General Council the ways and means for the securing of an adequate and efficient number of ministers.

Third. In harmony with your instructions we have committed the Lettish and Persian work to the Slav Board.

Fourth. We are also interested in the establishment of additional Theological Seminaries, to be located in Canada and on the Pacific coast. Institutions, like magnets, that draw in proportion to their greatness and their nearness to the object. Not only in Toronto or its neighborhood, but also in Manitoba and on the Pacific coast, our Church should furnish to our people such educational facilities as to qualify a sufficient number of their young men for the Gospel ministry among their increasing population. It can be readily understood that the Protestant Church which educates the efficient men for the ministry in largest number, will be the leading church in this country.

MATTERS FOR ACTION BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

I. We ask that the following amounts be apportioned for each year, May 1st to May 1st, among the District Synods for English Home Mission work, asking them to make monthly remittances, to be paid, as far as possible in monthly installments, that the Secretary be instructed to notify the Synods of this action:

Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$32,500 00
New York and New England Synod	7,250 00
District Synod of Ohio	7,000 00
Pittsburgh Synod	5,600 00
Chicago Synod	3,500 00
Synod of the Northwest	2,500 00
Nova Scotia Synod	1,250 00
Ministerium of New York	1,000 00
Synod of Central Canada	800 00
Pacific Synod	600 00
	$62,000 00

II. We ask the approval of the effort on the part of the Board for a campaign of education and inspiration, in order to secure in the end an income in addition to our apportionment from individuals and societies of $60,000 per year for the employment of an increased field missionary force for the United States and Canada. The Board is profoundly grateful to the devoted women of the General Council Home and Foreign Federation for their unanimous resolution to make an earnest effort to raise $15,000 of the $60,000 needed for this increased field missionary force during the year, and we expect that our men will supply the $45,000 yet required.

III. We herewith submit to you the Rules and Regulations of the English Home Mission Board of the General Council for the conduct of the work committed to its hands.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

of the Board of English Home Missions, adopted at its meetings, held April 5-7, and found on pages 563-86 of the Minutes of said Board.

(As amended and adopted by the General Council.)

Article I. The General Board.

Section I. *Functions.* This Board, as specified in the plan for Unification, adopted by the General Council, is constituted by the General Council's electing seven members and the Synods co-operating, each electing one, and shall have charge of the English Home Mission work transferred by the various Synods.

For the successful prosecution of the work in its charge, this Board shall call such General Agents as it may deem necessary and define their duties. It shall make an estimate of the moneys needed for its operations, and shall report the sum needed to the General Council for approval and apportionment among the Synods. It shall report to the General Council and to each convention of the Synods co-operating the status of the missions within their respective territories.

For the accomplishment of its work the Board shall adopt, in addition to these Rules and Regulations, an adequate policy in harmony with the Constitutions of the General Council and the Synods co-operating.

SECTION II. *Its Officers.* The officers of the Board shall be chosen from the regular members of the Board and shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

SECTION III. The President and Vice-President shall perform those duties which usually appertain to their office.

SECTION IV. The Secretary shall keep and preserve the Minutes of the Board, issue notices of the meetings, and furnish to each member of the Board the Minutes of all the meetings of the Board and its Executive Committee as soon after the meeting as possible. He shall have such assistant or help as he may require for the clerical work of his office. He shall draw all orders or checks for the payment of moneys, the same to be signed or countersigned by the Treasurer, only after the Board has directed him to do so.

SECTION V. The Treasurer shall charge himself with and account for all the moneys received by and belonging to the Board, and pay out the same upon the check or order of the Secretary. As the contributions and remittances intended for the work of the Board are to be received and an itemized account thereof kept by the Secretary as hereinafter provided, the Treasurer shall file the monthly reports of the receipts as sent in by the Secretary, charging himself only with the gross amount for the month, except as he may deem wise to itemize the same. He shall invest the Endowment Fund of the Board in accordance with the direction of the Board or its Finance Committee, and shall safely keep the investments representing such funds. He shall prepare and submit an annual report at each meeting held in the month of May.

SECTION VI. These officers shall be elected at the first meeting of the Board following the Biennial Convention of the General Council, and shall hold office for two years, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

ARTICLE II. MEETINGS.

SECTION I. There shall be three regular meetings of the Board each year. The annual meeting shall be held in Philadelphia, Pa., on the second Tuesday of November, at 10 a. m. Seven members shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION II. Special meetings of the Board shall be called by the President at the request of five members. Notice of the same shall be sent at least ten days before such meetings and contain information of the business to be transacted.

ARTICLE III. COMMITTEES.

A. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

(a) *Membership.* This Committee shall consist of seven members, elected by the Board. The President shall be Chairman ex-officio, and the General Superintendent an advisory member.

(b) *Functions.* This Committee shall act for the Board ad interim in such matters as call for prompt attention, but its actions shall be subject to the Board's revision.

(c) *Meetings.* This Committee shall hold stated monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each month except those months in which the General Board meets.

(d) *Quorum.* A majority shall constitute a quorum.

B. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

This Committee shall consist of three members elected by the Board and its duties shall be to audit the accounts of the Treasurer and all agents or committees handling the funds of the Board. This Committee shall also examine the investments and securities of the Board.

C. THE EDITORIAL COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Committee of three to be known as the Editorial Committee (of which the General Council Superintendent shall be one) to be appointed by the President, whose duty it shall be to edit and superintend the publication of a paper and other literature authorized by the Board in the interests of Home Missions.

ARTICLE IV. THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

The General Superintendent shall be the executive of the Board for all the work committed to it by the General Council. He shall devise and suggest ways and means to the Board or its Executive Committee whereby its work may be made more efficient, its resources increased and its operations enlarged. He shall, under the Board or its Executive Committee, direct the work of the District Superintendents in all the mission fields. He shall furnish a report to the Board or its Executive Committee at each meeting therof, and shall meet with them. He shall have such clerical assistant or assistants as may be determined from time to time by the Board which shall define their duties. He shall be editor-in-chief of such paper as may be published by the Board.

ARTICLE V. DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS.

SECTION I. There shall be elected by the Board from time to time District Superintendents whose jurisdiction as far as possible shall be coextensive with the bounds of those Synods represented on the Board. These Superintendents shall be the executives of the Board within their respective districts in such matters as are not committed to the General Superintendent. They shall not only oversee missions and recommend the opening of new mission points, but they shall also be charged with the development of a larger interest in missions in the congregations within their districts and in the payment by them of the apportionments laid upon them for the work of the Board. In the care of missions and the administration of mission work with which they are charged they shall consult and advise with the Synodical Home Mission Boards of the District Synods. They shall from time to time recommend to the General Superintendent such matters and things as they believe for the good of the cause and shall submit to him regular reports concerning the work in their dis-

tricts. Duplicates of these reports shall be sent to each member of the Board.

SECTION II. The District Superintendents shall be elected by the General Board only after their nominations have been approved by the Synodical Board or Boards of the Synod or Synods co-operating on whose territory they are to labor.

ARTICLE VI. OTHER HELPERS.

Field Missionaries and other staff or missionary helpers may be appointed by the Board or its Executive Committee, as circumstances or the needs of the work shall require, in which event their duties or powers shall be expressly defined.

ARTICLE VII. MISSION PASTORS.

After consulting the President of Synod or Conference, as the Synodical Constitution may determine, the District Superintendent shall nominate to the church council a pastor, and after his election according to the constitution of the congregation, the call shall be officially endorsed by the President and Secretary of the Board and sent to the one called.

The mission pastor shall make a monthly report of his work to the General Superintendent and send a duplicate to his District Superintendent and to the mission authorities of the Synod to which the mission belongs.

ARTICLE VIII. MISSION CONGREGATIONS.

The congregation before receiving aid shall, through its regular officers, sign the contract adopted by the Board; in the purchase of ground they shall advise with and secure the consent of the District Superintendent and the General Superintendent and shall submit to them for approval the plan or plans for all buildings.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS.

Amendments or revisions of these Rules and Regulations must be submitted at a regular meeting of the Board for action at the next regular meeting, and, after being adopted by a two-thirds vote, shall be submitted to the General Council for approval.

It was unanimously resolved that these Rules and Regulations shall become operative from May 1, 1910, and that all other Rules and Regulations or actions not in agreement with them are hereby rescinded.

IV. The terms of office of the following members of the Board expire at this meeting: Rev. J. E. Whitteker, D.D., President; E. Augustus Miller, Esq., Treasurer; A. C. Albrecht, Secretary; Rev. G. W. Sandt, D.D., Mr. W. H. Hager, Mr. Frank D. Bittner, Mr. John M. Snyder.

J. E. WHITTEKER, *President.*

A. C. ALBRECHT, *Secretary.*

ACTION ON THE HOME MISSION REPORT.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Kunzmann, it was

Resolved, That the paragraph on the General Synod Home Mission Board's action be referred to the Committee on Arbitration, and that the Apportionments be referred to the Budget Committee.

On motion of Dr. Jacobs, it was

Resolved, That the Second Item, concerning action in the Minutes of 1909, "with reference to securing more men for the ministry," be deferred until the Report of the Committee on Education be presented, and the Fourth Item referring to the establishment of additional Theological Seminaries be deferred until the report of the Committee on the Norelius resolutions.

At the Sixth Session, on motion of Dr. J. A. W. Haas, it was

Resolved, That we recommend to our Synods to appoint committees whose duty it shall be to further the securing of men for the ministry.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the proposed Rules and Regulations be referred to a special committee of seven to report at this convention.

Committee, The Revs. Drs. J. C. Seegers, H. E. Jacobs, J. A. W. Haas, G. F. Spieker, the Rev. M. E. Boulton, Mr. W. M. Mearig and Mr. J. S. Romich.

The report, with the exception of the items deferred, was adopted as a whole.

At the Fifth Session the above committee presented its

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF ENGLISH HOME MISSIONS.

The Committee recommends the following changes:

ARTICLE IV. The General Superintendent shall be the executive of the Board for all the work committed to it by the General Council.

ARTICLE V. These Superintendents shall be the executives of the Board within their respective districts in such matters as are not committed to the General Superintendent. In the care of Missions and the administration of mission work with which they are charged, they shall consult and advise with the Synodical Home Mission Boards of the District Synods.

ARTICLE VII. After consulting the President of Synod or Conference, as the Synodical Constitution may determine, the District Superintendent shall nominate to the church council a pastor, and after his election according to the constitution of the congregation, the call shall be officially endorsed by the President and the Secretary of the Board and sent to the one called.

ARTICLE IX. Amendments or revisions must be submitted at a regular meeting of the Board for action at the next regular meeting, and, after being adopted by a two-thirds vote shall be submitted to the General Council for approval.

JOHN A. W. HAAS, *Chairman.*
G. F. SPIEKER, *Secretary.*

On motion of the Rev. J. F. Lambert, it was

Resolved, That the third sentence of Article I, Section 1, read: "It shall make an estimate of the moneys needed for its operations, and shall report the sum needed to the General Council for approval and apportionment among the Synods"; and the last sentence of Article I, Section 4 shall read: "He shall draw all orders or checks for the payment of moneys, the same to be signed or countersigned by the Treasurer, only after the Board has directed him to do so."

The report of the Committee was adopted, and the Rules were then adopted as a whole. They are printed above with all the amendments incorporated.

GENERAL COUNCIL WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Roth, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. C. L. Fry be afforded an opportunity to explain the new Woman's Federation Movement.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the proposed Constitution and By-Laws of the Woman's Missionary Society of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America be referred to a committee to report at this convention.

Committee, Revs. Dr. F. A. Kaehler, A. Steimle, Dr. A. B. Markley, and Dr. C. W. Foss and W. Warren Wattles.

At the Eighth Session the Rev. Mr. Steimle presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Your committee appointed to examine the Constitution and By-Laws of "The Women's Missionary Society of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America" would respectfully report that we have carefully examined the same, and find nothing out of harmony with the Constitution of the General Council.

We recommend that the cordial approval of the General Council be given

to the faithful and earnest body of women, who have now united, according to Article II, Section 3, of their Constitution, "to co-operate with the Boards of Missions and Church Extension, and to execute all its missionary operations through the regularly constituted channels of the General Council and its respective Synods."

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. KAEHLER,
W. WARREN WATTLES,
C. W. FOSS,
A. B. MARKLEY,
A. STEIMLE.

The report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fry, it was

Resolved, That the Constitution of the Society be printed as an Appendix to the Minutes.

THE IOWA SYNOD'S OFFICIAL VISITOR.

The presence of the Rev. Frederick Richter, D.D., the Official Visitor from the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa, was announced, and on motion it was

Resolved, That he be accorded the privileges of the floor.

The Rev. Dr. Pfatteicher presented the

REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1, 1911.

To the President and Members of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America:

Since the last meeting of your venerable body, the operations of the Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society have been continued along the lines indicated in the reports hitherto made to the General Council. Every effort has been made, and not without some measure of success, to extend the operations of the Society and to increase its usefulness for our beloved Church.

The Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D.D., the Superintendent of the work of the Board of English Home Missions, has been continued as the agent of the Society. The Rev. Charles L. Fry, D.D., pastor of Trinity Church, Catasauqua, found it impossible to continue to serve in both capacities as Eastern Field Secretary and the pastor of a local congregation; consequently his resignation was presented to the Board, to take effect January 1, 1910. The resignation was accepted with regret.

The Society and the Board have sustained a great loss in the resignation of two of their faithful officers: the Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., the President; and the Hon. William H. Staake, its Secretary. It was with sincere regret and great reluctance, and with deep appreciation of their valuable and self-denying services, that the Society felt constrained to accede to their wishes and requests. We, however, rejoice that these faith-

ful brethren will continue to serve as members of the Board of Managers. The following Minutes were adopted:

"This Society desires to place upon record its appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the cause which it represents, and for which it stands, by its retiring President, Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., one of the original members of the Association, holding Certificate No. 2 in the list of its Active Members, and having presented the cause for all these years in public and in private, and to express its regret that owing to failing health he has felt constrained to refuse a re-election to that office which he has so ably filled since the death of Rev. Joseph A. Seiss, D.D., and in which place we would unanimously and gladly have continued him."

"Hon. William H. Staake, who has for the past thirty-nine years been the faithful and efficient Secretary of this Society, having advised us that owing to increased duties in other avenues of work and labor, he must decline a re-election to the office which he has so long and acceptably filled, we desire to record our well-deserved appreciation of the remarkable service rendered by him to this Society. His close and careful attention to the duties which, as Secretary, he has been called upon to perform; his ever-zealous guarding by voice and vote of the interests of the Society; his prompt and painstaking care in the necessary correspondence involved in the performance of his duties, all merit from us our highest praise and most cordial thanks. More than our words of appreciation and approbation, however, must be the knowledge which he has of faithful service rendered the Church in this department of her work."

We desire also to report the resignation of Mr. Fred J. Bergstresser as a member of the Board, and the election in his stead of the Rev. A. S. Fichthorn, D.D.

The receipts and expenses for the past calendar year will appear from the Annual Report of the Treasurer, E. Augustus Miller, Esq., submitted to the Society at the January meeting, 1911, a copy of which is appended to this report, together with the list of the assets of the Society added since our last report.

The present officers of the Society are: President, the Rev. J. Fry, D.D., LL.D.; Treasurer, E. Augustus Miller, Esq.; Secretary, the Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher.

Managers: The Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., the Rev. J. Fry, D.D., LL.D., the Rev. E. E. Sibole, D.D., the Rev. George W. Sandt, D.D., the Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher, the Rev. A. S. Fichthorn, D.D., and Messrs. A. C. Albrecht, E. R. Artman, Theodore C. Birnbaum, E. Augustus Miller, James N. Mohr, James M. Snyder, G. E. Schlegelmilch, William H. Staake, John Willing, and James H. Wolfe.

The Standing Committees of the Society are:

Executive Committee: The Rev. J. Fry, D.D., LL.D., ex-officio; the Rev. G. W. Sandt, D.D., the Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., Messrs. Miller and Albrecht.

Loan Committee: The Revs. Sibole, Pfatteicher, Kunzmann, and Mr. Snyder.

Finance Committee: Messrs. Willing, Artman, and Mohr.

Titles and Securities: Messrs. Wolfe, Schlegelmilch, and Mohr.

The By-Laws under which the Society operates will be found in the Minutes of the General Council for 1907, and consequently are not reprinted here.

It is with great regret that the officers of the Society have been compelled so frequently to refuse assistance to congregations where such assistance was most sorely needed. The officers, if the Society had the necessary financial ability, would have been most happy to have granted many loans which the restricted funds compelled them to decline. We would call your attention to the necessary extension of matured loans to congregations unable to meet the requirements of their original contracts with the Society. If we could report a more prompt repayment of loans, the ability of the Society to extend its work would be very much facilitated.

The Society also acts as trustee for congregations or institutions, in holding their property pending their legal incorporation. It has acted in this capacity in a number of instances during the past two years, notable among them being the conveyance of the deed of All Saints Church, Philadelphia, from the General Synod to the General Council.

The Society holds title to the property of the Italian Mission, at 1333 South Ninth street, Philadelphia, the first Italian Lutheran Church in the world.

We rejoice to be able to announce two large personal contributions to our work prior to January 1, 1911: One thousand dollars from Mr. Frank Cressman, of Sellersville, Pa.; and two thousand dollars from Mr. W. W. Wattles, of Pittsburgh, Pa. Since January 1st we have received one thousand dollars from Mrs. Jennie E. Rhinebarger.

It will be noted from the financial statement of the Treasurer that the assets of the Society are now over $200,000.

The Board approved opening an office in the Drexel Building, in conjunction with the Home Mission Board, the Board of Church Extension assuming one-third of the expense.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Fry, *President.*

E. P. Pfatteicher, *Secretary.*

Summary of Reports of E. Augustus Miller, Treasurer of the Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society for the Years 1909 and 1910.

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To Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1909		$4,422 80
" Contributions from Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$14,671 11	
" Pittsburgh Synod	5,024 97	
" Synod of New York and New England	2,627 09	
" District Synod of Ohio	4,038 35	
" Chicago Synod	685 43	
" Synod of the Northwest	1,750 85	

To Pacific Synod	209 05	
" Synod of Central Canada	202 30	
" Nova Scotia Synod	70 30	
" Ministerium of New York	56 29	
" Individuals	7,428 00	
" Mr. B. Frank Cressman	1,000 00	
" Mr. Wm. W. Wattles	2,000 00	
" Legacy from Mrs. Mizer	100 00	
" Legacy from Estate of Matilda Haas, dec'd	200 00	
" Conditional Gift	500 00	
" Young People's Lutheran Assoc. of Phila	190 67	
" Unclassified sources	91 96	
" Interest on deposits	418 42	
		$41,264 79
To repayment of loans	$9,506 82	
" Church of Advocate, Germantown, on acct. note.	780 00	
" Benj. F. Young, Trustee Building Fund for Church of Good Shepherd, Overbrook, Philadelphia, to be kept for that acct.	609 58	
" Board of English Home Missions for loan to Church at Winnipeg	600 00	
" Young People's Lutheran Association of Philadelphia, for portable chapel fund	200 00	
" Interest on loan, Zion Church, Olney	80 00	
" Rent of Sioux Falls property	75 85	
" New Britain Nat. Bank, for sale of lot in New Britain, Conn.	2,910 40	
" Real Estate Title Co., in settlement of sale of property at 28th and Lehigh Ave., Philadelphia, the title to which was held for the Church of the Mediator	953 75	
" Mrs. Florence A. Shank, for Overbrook, Pa.	350 00	
		$16,066 40
		$61,753 99

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By Salaries and Expenses of Agent and other Employees		$6,911 63
" Printing, Postage and Pyramids		1,309 66
" Office Expenses		56 40
" Clerk services		172 50
" Incidentals		62 59
		$8,512 78
By Loans made		$37,000 00
" Taxes on Lots at Bismarck and Mayville, N. Dak		202 30
" Interest on Loan Zion Church, Olney, Philadelphia		80 00

To Merchants Nat. Bank, Repayment of Note on Church of Advocate, Germantown	775 27
" Cash to Home Mission Board by Mortgage, being return of Loan of Jan. 30, 1909	600 00
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Overbrook, Phila., paid as per Order	959 58
" Church of the Mediator, Phila., received in settlement of Sale of Lot to which Title was held by the Society	953 75
" National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah, for purchase of property of Holy Trinity Church at Sheriff's Sale	400 00
	$49,483 68
Balance on hand January 1, 1911	$12,270 31
	$61,753 99

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Pfatteicher, it was

Resolved, That we place on record our very sincere appreciation of the self-sacrificing labors of the Hon. Wm. H. Staake as Secretary of the Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society for a period of 39 years, and, regretting as we do the resignation of an able and honored official because of the increasing responsibilities which have been thrust upon him, we rejoice that he is willing to continue his co-operation in a work which is so near to his heart and in the interests of which he has labored so earnestly.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. Dr. Belfour presented the

REPORT OF THE PORTO RICO MISSION BOARD.

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

The two years, which have passed since our last report, have been eventful, marked by vigorous labors of our missionaries,—labors overtaxing their strength,—valuable results, embarrassing conditions and disappointments in acquiring property and building, and severe sickness; but also by encouraging success in securing funds at home for this important mission by the Rev. C. H. Hemsath in the East and the Rev. H. O. Lindeblad in the West.

Last year the Rev. Mr. Ostrom, the senior missionary, and his wife found it necessary to return to the States to recuperate their strength, and they were greatly benefited by the change. But it was not by any means a complete vacation, as both visited many churches and conventions and advocated the interests of the mission; and good results followed.

And the young wife of the Rev. Mr. Anderson, who went to Porto Rico as a bride, has suffered much from sickness and was compelled to

undergo a surgical operation at the Presbyterian Hospital; and, when she had only partially recovered her strength, the Rev. Mr. Anderson had a severe attack of typhoid fever, and he was taken to the same hospital, where, for a time, his condition was very critical; but the Lord mercifully spared his valuable life. And, when his condition was improved, the physician said, that, as soon as he could endure the voyage and journey, he must return to the States for the full recovery of his health. They are now both resting in Topeka, Kansas, where we hope that the Lord will restore their full health, that they may soon return to the work, which they love so much. And Miss May C. Mellander is also with her parents in St. Charles, Illinois. Her labors in the mission have been excessive, and rest is absolutely necessary.

The missionary force consists of the Revs. Ostrom and Anderson, ordained ministers, and four native male helpers, also Miss Gabriela Cuervos, who has served very faithfully since June, 1906, and Miss May C. Mellander and her assistant Dolores Martinez.

The most diligent attention has been given to the good work in the congregations, Sunday-schools, Parochial Schools, Luther Leagues, and other societies, and visitations. The missionaries experience great difficulties in carrying on their work, which might be expected in view of the ignorance, superstition, unbelief, and almost incredible immorality, all the fruits of 400 years of the exclusive sway of Roman Catholic rule. Our missionaries, therefore, very properly lay stress on the importance of work among the children in order that they may early be brought under proper religious influences and be taught, in simple form and words, the great truths of the Word of God. To this end the Sunday-school and Luther League are helpful, but especially the Parochial School, which is under Miss Mellander's care and has 88 pupils. She has had two helpers, who grew up in the school, in whom she has great confidence. The course of studies is indicated in the Rev. Mr. Ostrom's report. This care of the children is in harmony with the order and practice of the true Church under the Old and New Testaments, and especially characteristic of the spirit and policy of the Lutheran Church.

The very full and admirable report of our senior missionary furnishes many items, which would naturally be given in this connection, but need not be stated twice. But we must not fail to give credit to the wives of our missionaries for the faithful and efficient help rendered by them in every department in which they can be helpful. This applies especially to Mrs. Ostrom, who has rendered service during the whole time of her presence on the Island; but also to Mrs. Anderson, who rendered like service, as her feeble health would permit.

But the one subject, which has engaged the special attention of the missionaries and the Board, is the acquisition of lots, and the building of churches and chapels. And, in this, great difficulties have been encountered. Many of the laws and business methods of the Island—still in vogue—are about as bad as the transmitted religious or irreligious order. In the old city of San Juan, there is no vacant ground, and a lot, for

example, 30 x 100 feet has been held at $12,000, having on it a poor and deformed building. But there is now some relief in that direction. And in the villages, we had acquired lots through the missionaries. And we sent our Field Secretary, the Rev. C. H. Hemsath, who is a competent builder and careful business man, to build chapels in Palo Seco and Monacillo. But he was charged to look carefully into the validity of the titles to the lots, and it was found that they were not safe; and arrangements were made to have them perfected. The Rev. Hemsath, meanwhile, studied the whole situation, assisted the missionaries in every possible way, secured information for future use, some materials, and the promise of free transportation of materials from New York.

The intention is to send Field Secretary Hemsath to the Island very soon with the plans, already prepared, to erect the chapels in Palo Seco and Monacillo, and probably at Bayamon. And, as soon as possible, the Church in San Juan will be built. There has been long delay; but how could it be avoided? We had not the money with which to do the work, and we could not build on borrowed funds. But matters are improved now. Through the earnest and persevering efforts of the Rev. Hemsath, liberal responses have been made, especially through the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Societies, in cash and promises of money,—in some cases to meet the cost of certain sections or parts of the Church in San Juan. And by the "Pastors' Movement" or contributions by the pastors, a considerable sum has been assured to finish and furnish the interior of that church. We hope that our pastors and people will respond freely to the call for means for building, especially in the capital city, San Juan.

And, in the West, the Rev. H. O. Lindeblad did effectual work for the mission in the churches of the Augustana Synod, a body which has done signal work for the Porto Rico Mission. But we deeply regret that the good brother resigned his position last April to become supply pastor of a congregation. We are making earnest efforts to secure a competent man to fill his place.

The report of the senior missionary is here presented.

PORTO RICO MISSION BIENNIAL REPORT.

July 1, 1909—July 1, 1911.

My Dear Dr. Smith, Secretary of Porto Rico Mission Board:

Being that a report of the work done on our mission field during the past two years and a statement of the conditions that prevail at present are desired to facilitate the Board in making its report to the coming convention of the General Council, it gives me pleasure to submit the following facts.

THE FIELD.

Our mission work is confined to an area of 15 miles, that is, all our mission congregations and mission stations lie within 15 miles of the capital city, San Juan, which is located on the north side of the center of the Island. Mission work is done in six cities or towns and one country

district. The location and distance of these places from *San Juan,* where we have two congregations, are as follows: *Catano,* lies two miles to the south, directly across the San Juan Bay; *Bayamon,* 5 miles to the southwest; *Palo Seco,* one and one-half miles to the west, directly across the entrance to San Juan Bay; *Toa Baja* and *Dorado,* about 15 miles to the west; and the country district *Monacillo,* 4 miles to the south of Catano.

THE MISSION WORK.

EVANGELISTIC. The principal work, of course, is to preach the Gospel, instruct the children, and visit the people. Only in San Juan is mission work done in the English language, namely, among the English-speaking colored people from the neighboring Danish and British Islands, the rest of the work being done in the Spanish language.

The First English Lutheran Congregation, San Juan, organized January 1, 1900, numbers at present 121 communicants; during the past two years, 18 have been confirmed, 17 received by letters, 7 by profession, and four adults have died. This congregation is our best organized congregation and the one that has given us the greatest encouragement. These colored people have been under Gospel influences in their native Islands, and show great respect for the Church. The members, as a rule, are very faithful and pious, and gladly contribute of what little they have for the Lord's cause. The average attendance during the past quarter has been 87. (In the following, whenever the average of attendance is given it always refers to the second quarter 1911.) Services are held Sunday evenings, Sunday-school Sunday afternoons, and a Woman's Society meets on Tuesday evening, whenever the missionaries are not engaged in other parts of the work. The Sunday-school enrollment is about 40. Owing to the fact, that these colored people mostly live in Puerta de Tierra and Santurce, distant parts of San Juan, difficulty is found in sending the children to San Juan proper. As soon as we have more help, Sunday-schools, if not also services, ought to be established in Puerta de Tierra and Santurce. A choir renders suitable selections at the Sunday evening services of the congregation.

The Spanish San Pablo Congregation, San Juan, was organized April 15, 1900. Sixteen have been received through confirmation and one adult has died. The present communicant membership is 69. Services are held Sunday mornings and Thursday evenings, the average attendance being 56 and 24, respectively. The Sunday-school has about 90 enrolled. In this congregation we have a group of very faithful members of young people and adults. A pleasant feature of the Sunday-school is that the whole Sunday-school always remains through the morning service.

The Spanish congregation at Cataño, *Divino Salvador,* organized August 23, 1903, has Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services, the average attendance having been 35 and 47, respectively. During a part of the last two years Sunday evening services were also held, when our mission force could attend to the preaching. Sunday-school is held on Sunday afternoons, its enrollment being about 160. A parochial school has been held during the past school years, Miss May C. Mellander being

in charge. She also has charge of a very active and promising Spanish Luther League, of late meeting on Sunday evenings. Seven have been confirmed and three have died, making the present communicant membership 67.

The Spanish congregation at Bayamón, *La Santisima Trinidad,* was organized July 15, 1908. Sunday evening and Tuesday evening services have been held. The average attendance has been 36 and 30, respectively. The congregation numbers at present 36 communicants. Ten have been received by confirmation, one by letter. Two have died and one has left by letter. Many have given great encouragement by their faithfulness. The Sunday-school meets on Sunday afternoon, and its enrollment is about 85.

The Spanish San Pedro Congregation, Toa Baja, was organized June 29, 1909, with four young men, who have proved themselves very faithful. In spite of the active work done, no more have been added to this number, although catechetical instruction has been given. Services have been held Sunday evenings and Tuesday evening, with an average attendance of 19 at each. The Sunday-school has about 45 enrolled.

Two new congregations have been added during the last month. Sunday, June 25, four adults, out of a class of ten, were confirmed, in Dorado. The congregation received the name *Getsemani.* Services have been held on Monday evenings with an average attendance of 31. The Sunday-school has about 50 enrolled.

In the country district Monacillo, a class of ten was confirmed Friday evening June 30th. The new congregation received the name *Betania.* Services have been held on Sunday evenings, Tuesday evenings, and a part of the time, also on Friday evenings, the average attendance having been 17, 20 and 12, respectively. A day-school—on the average about four half-days in the week—has been held by the native worker, Pascual López. The Sunday-school enrollment is about 35.

At present, since the organization of the last two congregations, we have only two mission stations, namely, one on Comerio street, Bayamón, which really is an annex to the Bayamón congregation, and the Palo Seco mission station. Services are held on *Comerio street, Bayamon,* every Thursday evening, average atendance 39. The Sunday-school has about 80 enrolled. The *Palo Seco mission station* has services at present on Sunday and Tuesday evenings. An average attendance at both of 19. This mission station has at present two Sunday-schools, one in Palo Seco proper, and one in the Barrio de Palma, across the Bayamon River. The enrollment in Palo Seco is about 40 and in the Barrio de Palma about 35.

During the past biennium, in the whole mission, 635 Sunday services have been held, 870 weekday services, 815 Sunday-school sessions, and 68 Luther League meetings, with a total attendance in all of 87,791 persons.

Educational. *Seminary.* Rev. Mr. Anderson and the undersigned have, as a rule given two days a week to instructing the native male helpers, Demetric Texidor, Lorenzo Hurtado, Juan Zambrana, Guillermo, and Alfredo Mercado. The last three have entered so recently, that they have

as yet received very little instruction. Pascual López, owing to poor health, has not been obliged to come in from Monacillo to attend the classes. Instruction has been given by Rev. Mr. Anderson in Catechism, Pastoral Theology, Doctrines of the Catholic Church, Isagogics, and Christian Evidences; and by the undersigned in Bible History, Bible Facts and Scenes, Church History, and Homiletics.

Catano Parochial School. This school has been in charge of Miss May C. Mellander, and she has devoted most of her time to it. During the school year 1909-1910 the enrollment was 88, and during the last school year the enrollment has been the same. Maria E. Gonzalez assisted during the former school year, and Dolores Quidgley de Martinez has given efficient assistance during the last year. The courses have been confined to kindergarten and the first five grades of the public school. The subjects taught have been: Kindergarten subjects, Catechism, Bible History, English, Spanish, Nature Study, Hygiene, Physiology, American History, Porto Rico History, Geography, Physical Geography, Music, Drawing. Private instruction has been given in Pedagogy to some advanced members in the congregation. The children have contributed $61.90 by voluntary contribution.

School in Monacillo. This school has been in charge of our native worker, Pascual López, and has been devoted entirely to teaching the children to read, and teaching them the Catechism and Bible History.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARIES.

The American missionaries have been the same throughout the biennial. They are Rev. and Mrs. A. P. G. Anderson, Bayamón, Miss May C. Mellander, Cataño, the undersigned and his wife, San Juan. The mission field has been divided between the ordained pastors. Rev. Mr. Anderson has charge of the Bayamón congregation, with its Comerio street mission, and of the mission stations, Monacillo and Palo Seco. He has personal charge of the Comerio street mission and makes bi-weekly visits to Monacillo and Palo Seco. The undersigned has the two congregations, the English and the Spanish, in San Juan, the Spanish congregations in Cataño, Toa Baja and the congregation in Dorado, until recently a mission station. Visits are made to Toa Baja tri-weekly. Rev. Anderson has also charge of the Sunday morning service in Cataño. Miss May C. Mellander's work, is entirely confined to Cataño, being in charge of the parochial school, the infant department of the Sunday-school, the Luther League, the Sunday-school teachers' meetings, and the choir.

THE NATIVE MISSIONARIES.

The native force at present consists of Lorenzo Hurtado, Pascual López, Juan Zambrana, Guillermo Marrero, Alfredo Mercado and Gabriela Cuervos. *Demetrio Texidor,* who entered the force June 1, 1909, worked in the mission, principally in Cataño and Palo Seco, until January 15, this year, when he had to leave the work on account of ill health. *Lorenzo*

Hurtado entered the mission March 1, 1909, has worked hard in Toa Baja and Dorado during the last two years. *Pascual Lopez,* entering in February, 1909, was ill for a whole year, staying at the Tuberculosis Hospital, reentering the mission during the second quarter 1910. He has done most efficient service in the country district of Monacillo, preaching, visiting, and teaching the children. A request to the Board for more native male helpers resulted in the addition of *Juan Zambrana,* member of the Bayamón congregation, February 1st of this year, who was stationed in Palo Seco; *Guillermo Marrero,* member of the Spanish congregation, San Juan, March 1, this year, who was stationed in Comerio street, Bayamón; and *Alfredo Mercado,* also member of the Spanish congregation in San Juan, March 1, this year. Alfredo Mercado is a soldier in the Porto Rico regiment, and, because of his duties there, can not devote much time to the mission work, but receives instruction and helps in San Juan, as much as his time permits. He has no salary from the mission. *Gabriela Cuervos,* who entered the force June, 1906, has ever since proved a faithful worker in our mission. She visits one day in Cataño, one day in Bayamón and one day and part of other two days in San Juan. She assists in all the services and the Sunday-schools in San Juan and Bayamón.

The total number of visits made by the native workers during the past two years was 12,861.

CONTRIBUTIONS WITHIN THE MISSION.

Although the people are so extremely poor, it has been a source of great pleasure to see them contributing to the work with their mites. The following table includes only the contributions received at the services and Sunday-school, and does not include tuition paid by children, nor extra donations from members within the congregation nor from friends without.

	TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS.	CONTRIB. TO P. R. MISSION.	CONTRIB. TO FOREIGN MISS.
First English Church, San Juan	$468.24	$339.65	$35.82
San Pablo, San Juan	163.52	120.00	6.95
Divino Salvador, Cataño	158.95	90.00	6.53
Santisima Trinidad, Bayamón	67.40	60.00	1.19
San Pedro, Toa Baja.....	20.11	.....	.....
Comerio Street Mission, Bayamón	9.85	.....	.....
Monacillo	.....	.....	.....
Total	$938.03	$609.65	$50.49

GENERAL REMARKS.

The mission work in Porto Rico is exceedingly hard, more so than can be imagined by people not on the field. We have to deal with a people that are easy-going, fickle, very worldly, careless in religious matters, ignorant and superstitious. Our hardest fields are Toa Baja, Dorado, and Palo Seco. Ignorance, rank superstition, and especially Spiritism and immor-

ality have so completely perverted the people, that they, humanly speaking, seem to be beyond recovery. If we can not save the adults, may we make an utmost attempt to train and indoctrinate the children in the true Christian doctrine.

What makes our work so hard is also the fact, that we have not had success with many of the native workers whom we have had during the past years. They tire of the work, and leave us, after we have spent our precious time in imparting instruction and praying for them.

A great amount of work has been done both by the American and native missionaries, and one would naturally look for greater results. But knowing the conditions that prevail, we are thankful for what has been gained and accomplished.

We have as yet one church building in Cataño, where we also have a school property, and a chapel on Comerio street, Bayamón, on rented ground. We have also properties in Palo Seco and Monacillo, but the buildings are not suitable for services. We need churches badly in San Juan and Bayamón. We rejoice, however, that before the end of this year we will have at least two chapels on our mission stations.

Rev. Mr. Lindeblad's visit in January, 1910, Rev. and Mrs. Hemsath's visit during the Christmas season, 1910, and Rev. Mr. Hemsath's last visit in April have encouraged not only the mission in general but especially the American missionaries. We feel that by these visits our mission has come closer to the Home Church.

The American missionaries have had their time of pleasure and their time of trials. We all rejoiced when Rev. Mr. Anderson's bride came down in March last year, and we could rejoice with the happy ones on their wedding day. Mrs. Anderson, however, has not enjoyed many days of health in Porto Rico, since she arrived here. May 3d, this year, Rev. Mr. Anderson took sick with a severe typhoid fever and had to be taken to the Presbyterian Hospital. The strain was too much for his wife, and finally she had to go to the hospital also. We rejoice, however, over the fact that both were strong enough to leave the hospital the last of last month, and to undertake the journey to the States, sailing on the Caracas, July 8. We sincerely hope and pray, that the Lord will soon return these dear servants of His to the field of work, where they are so badly needed.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Organized congregations, 7; two, one English and one Spanish, in San Juan, Spanish congregations in Cataño, Bayamón, Toa Baja, Dorado and Monacillo.

Mission Stations, 2; Comerio Street mission, Bayamón, and the mission station at Palo Seco.

Sunday-schools, 10; two, one English and one Spanish, in San Juan; Spanish Sunday-schools in Cataño, Bayamón, Comerio street, Bayamón, Toa Baja, Dorado, Monacillo, Palo Seco and Barrio de Palma.

Seminary for native workers, 1.

Parochial Schools, 2; one in Cataño with two teachers, one in Monacillo with one teacher.

American missionaries, 5; Rev. and Mrs. Anderson, Rev. and Mrs. Ostrom, and Miss May C. Mellander.

Native helpers, 8; Gabriela Cuervos, Lorenzo Hurtado, Pascual López, Juan Zambrana, Guillermo Marrero, Alfredo Mercado, and the school assistant in Cataño, Dolores Martinez.

Communicant membership, July 1, 1909, 232.

Additions: by confirmation 65, by letter 18, by profession 7, total, 90.

Losses: by deaths 10, by letter 1.

Communicant membership, July 1, 1911, 311.

Baptisms, 77; *marriages,* 41; *funerals,* 24.

Total amount of collections, $938.03.

Contribution to Porto Rico Mission Board, $609.65.

Offerings for Foreign Mission, $50.49.

Very respectfully submitted,

San Juan, Porto Rico, July 26, 1911. ALFRED OSTROM.

The above report is certainly full and inspiring, giving proof of great fidelity and manifold labors on the part of missionaries and helpers, and of promising opportunities. And, in view of the great difficulties encountered and the extreme poverty of the people, the following record is pleasing and encouraging: two congregations organized, 90 communicants added, making the full number 311, about 500 in the Sunday-schools; contributions $938.03, of which $50.49, was for Foreign Missions. They "have done what they could."

And this report, showing the excessive labors of our ordained missionaries in the field, and the serious sickness by which some of them have been temporarily disabled, prove the imperative necessity of at least one more ordained minister; for what would be the result, if the Lord should, at any time, call away one or both of those in our service by death or other cause, as we have no ministers in the whole Council who could take up the work in the Spanish language? The Board is, therefore, making earnest efforts at this time to secure the services of a minister who will go to Porto Rico and learn the language.

And it is interesting to note the evidences of the prosperity of the general Protestant movement on the Island. The Roman Catholics having insisted that few people attended the Protestant services and that the missions were a failure, an investigation was arranged, and the account taken of the attendance on a Sunday in August of last year, in the Protestant and Catholic churches in about one-third of the territory of the Island. The following is the amazing result:

	Roman Catholic	Protestant
Church edifices in towns	29	26
Services in towns	80	70
Attendance in towns	7,731	4,796
Services in country districts	8	102
Attendance in country districts	363	4,074
Total attendance in towns and country	8,094	8,870

A great and divine work will be accomplished in Porto Rico. Let us have an honorable share in it.

We ask for the continuance of the apportionment of the last biennium, $16,500.00 per annum, and that the following apportionments be made to the several Synods:

Augustana Synod	$4,168 00
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	4,168 00
Pittsburgh Synod	2,000 00
Ministerium of New York	1,668 00
District Synod of Ohio	1,334 00
New York and New England Synod	1,168 00
Chicago Synod	1,000 00
English Synod of the Northwest	834 00
Pacific Synod	82 00
Nova Scotia Synod	42 00
Synod of Central Canada	36 00
	$16,500 00

We also ask that the Advent Sundays be designated as the time for offerings for Porto Rico Mission work.

The Treasurer's Report is herewith presented.

For the Board,

EDMUND BELFOUR, *President.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of the Treasurer of Porto Rico Mission Board of Ev. Lutheran Church, from August 30, 1909, to July 29, 1911.

Receipts.

Balance at last report		$ 1,744 95
Received for General Fund	$17,679 79	
Received for Building Fund	5,836 41	
Received for Church at Bayamon	2,472 34	
Received for Chapel Fund	1,600 00	
Received for Pastors' Movement (To furnish Church at San Juan)	430 00	
Received for Special Fund	103 25	28,121 79
		$29,866 74

Disbursements.

Paid for salaries	$12,976 23	
Paid for general expenses	4,915 41	
Paid for real estate	825 00	
Paid for materials for chapel	35 04	
Paid from special fund	43 25	$18,794 93
Balance on hand		11,071 81
		$29,866 74

RECAPITULATION.

Moneys Received from Synodical Treasurers.

Synod.	General.	Building.	Special.	Bayamon.	Pastors' Movement.	Erection of Chapels.	Totals.
Augustana	$5,695.38	$2,167.39	$40.00	$2,472.34	.....	$1,600.00	$11,975.11
Min. of Penna	5,646.68	993.14	5.00	.....	$154.50	.....	6,799.32
Pittsburgh	2,208.49	370.59	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,579.08
N. Y. & New Eng.	891.63	712.61	33.25	.....	.....	.....	1,637.49
Dist. of Ohio	406.54	461.92	.....	.....	.....	.....	869.46
Northwest	794.43	40.95	.....	.....	.....	.....	835.38
Min. of N. Y.	394.09	11.95	.....	.....	35.00	.....	441.04
Chicago	402.50	.....	.....	.....	7.00	.....	409.50
Central Canada	129.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	129.00
Nova Scotia	88.99	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88.99
Iowa	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00
Other than Sy. Tr's.	1,021.06	1,077.86	25.00	.....	232.50	.....	2,356.42
Total							$28,121.79

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BALANCES ON HAND.

Balance in General Fund	$	440 69
Balance in Building Fund		5,878 26
Balance in Fund for Church at Bayamon		2,574 33
Balance in Chapel Fund		1,564 96
Balance in Pastors' Movement Fund		430 00
Balance in Special Fund		183 57
Total balance on hand	$	11,071 81

ITEMS IN SPECIAL FUND.

For Orphans' Home	$	5 00
For School at Monacillo		6 00
For Bell at Cataño		5 00
For Parochial School		25 00
For Pulpit in Church at San Juan		30 00
For Lot at a Mission Station		112 57
Total	$	183 57

ON HAND.

Two $1,000.00 Bonds of the Ft. Wayne & Wabash Valley Railway Co.

Respectfully submitted.

CHAS. W. FUHR, *Treasurer.*

In regard to the balance in the Treasury, attention is called to the fact, that, after the money given specifically for the building of chapels is withdrawn, the sum available for lot and church in San Juan is very small. More has been promised, and we hope that the whole amount needed will soon be secured.

This is to certify that we have examined the account of Chas. W. Fuhr, Treasurer of the Porto Rico Mission Board and found same correct.

W. Warren Wattles,
W. W. Sellers,
Auditing Committee.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Gongaware, it was

Resolved, That, during the discussion of this report, the privilege of the floor be extended to the Rev. Dr. J. L. Smith, Secretary, and the Rev. C. H. Hemsath, Field Secretary of the Board.

On motion of Dr. H. W. Roth, it was

Resolved, That the appropriations be referred to the Budget Committee.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Advent Sundays be designated as the time for offerings for the Porto Rico Mission work.

On motion of E. Augustus Miller, Esq., it was

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the faithful and efficient services rendered by our missionaries in Porto Rico.

The report was adopted as a whole.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Roth, the Board elections were postponed until the afternoon session.

The Rev. Dr. A. L. Ramer, Superintendent of Slav Missions, was granted the floor to present the report of the Board of Slav Missions.

REPORT OF THE SLAV MISSION BOARD.

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America:

Fathers and Brethren:—In offering the report of the Slav Mission Board to the General Council, we rejoice to report that the past biennium has witnessed an advance along the entire field of operation. When the previous report was submitted to this venerable body, our mission activities were rather in the formative stage. By examining the accompanying table, it is evident that the results achieved during the present biennium are a proof of the largeness of the field. The extension of the mission field, the increase both in the number of ordained missionaries and number of students supported, demand an increased expenditure over the previous biennium from $4,900, to about $18,000 needed during the past two years. In spite of this marked expansion of the missionary forces, the work has been retarded on account of an insufficient number of missionaries.

The Slav Mission Board has endeavored to discharge the responsibilities entrusted to it to the utmost of its ability. During the biennium eight meetings were held. In order to bring the needs of this growing mission field more generally to the notice of the Church, and in order to collect funds absolutely needed to meet its current obligations, the Board called the Rev. Mellville B. Schmoyer, as its General Secretary. He entered upon his duties in December, 1909, and has been faithful and energetic in the work entrusted to him. In December, 1910, Rev. Schmoyer resigned his office as General Secretary, which resignation was accepted and went into effect August, 1911. In February, 1911, the President of the Board, Rev. J. O. Schlenker, began to collect for the liquidation of the growing debt and has succeeded in collecting $2,850.00 during the past six months.

THE SUPERINTENDENT.

The growing demands of the mission field among the foreign-speaking people on our territory has severely taxed both the time and energy of the superintendent. Slovak services are conducted by him every Sunday. Owing to the long intervals between these services, it is necessary to visit the people in their homes before the Sunday services. On every visit to a particular place, numerous changes have taken place. Some may have left the community, and new ones arrived. Men without families frequently change their boarding places, and families move from one house to another. Because of these unsettled conditions, the personal visit and looking up the people before the Sunday service is, in many localities, absolutely necessary. The services are conducted in some Lutheran church, if available. The hour of service, as a rule, is early in the morning before the local congregation occupies the church. The holy communion must be administered invariably early in the morning, because the Slovak people fast until after the reception of the Sacrament. As time permits new communities are canvassed and services begun. The pastors of certain communities, where foreign people live, have given valuable assistance in locating our Lutheran brethren of foreign speech. The superintendent has at present twenty-five mission stations on his itinerary, as will appear from the accompanying table. These places are scattered over eight states which require a great deal of traveling, and services are possible only at long intervals.

The superintendent receives monthly reports from all the missionaries under the auspices of the Board. Occasionally congregations of the other nationalities are visited, as circumstances may require. Many Church conventions have been attended and the needs of mission work among foreign-speaking people presented. Efforts are constantly made to secure students for the ministry. There ought to be at least four additional Slovak ministers on the territory now included in the superintendent's itinerary. Then only would it be possible to give proper service in the missions so far begun. There are still many communities, especially in the western and southern states, that have never yet been visited and divine services conducted.

ENLARGEMENT OF THE WORK.

A resolution of the General Council at last convention provided that all work among our immigrants, not already provided for, be placed in the hands of the Board of Slav Missions. In accordance with this resolution the mission among the Letts was transferred from the English Home Mission Board to the supervision of the Slav Board.

Efforts have been made to serve Lutheran Lithuanians in Scranton, Pa. So far, however, this field lies unprovided for because no minister able to use the Lithuanian language has been available. The missionary efforts among the Siebenbuergers, Magyars, and Slovenians have taken permanent form.

Rev. Johannes Pascha, missionary among the Persians, appealed to the Board to pay for the passage of his family, consisting of wife and eight children, from Persia to America. Rev. Pascha stated that he could not continue in our service without his family being brought to America. The Board was not in a position to grant this request, consequently the mission among the Persians was discontinued in April, 1910.

VISIT TO UNITED SYNOD SOUTH.

In view of the fact that five mission stations are on the territory of the United Synod South, the Superintendent visited that body at the convention in Richmond, Va., September, 1910.

The privilege of the floor was accorded to the superintendent to present the mission interests among foreign-speaking people, as these are receiving ministrations from the General Council. The following response was adopted:

"We have heard with the deepest interest the statement of our brother of the General Council, Rev. Dr. Ramer, concerning work now being prosecuted among the Slovaks, and especially of that part of it on our own territory, and we urge our pastors, with whom he may come in contact in his attempts to reach and minister to that, or any kindred people, to render any help they may, in caring for them and gathering them into congregations, in which they may receive the stated ministrations of the Gospel, or where that cannot be done, such occasional ministrations as may be possible. We also invite the presence of our brother amongst us, at any time, in the future, to inform us of his field and work."

THE FIELD.

(*a*) *Slovak.*

It is a fact not generally known, that there are a number of self-sustaining Slovak congregations which are served by ministers who have been prepared for, or assisted into their present fields of labor by the Slav Mission Board. Rev. A. D. Dianiska, serving the congregation at Mahanoy City, Pa., and the mission at Mt. Carmel, Pa., was ordained by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania in 1905.

Rev. Samuel Lichner was ordained by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania in 1908, and supported during his theological course by the Slav

Mission Board. He is now pastor of a flourishing Slovak congregation in Chicago, which recently purchased a church property for $23,000.

Rev. Samuel Schultz came from Hungary in 1905, in response to an appeal from the Slav Mission Committee. He is at present the pastor of a congregation in Chicago that has a communicant membership of about one thousand. He supplies also the Slovak mission at Indiana Harbor, Ind. Rev. Schultz has not formally united with any Synod, largely due to the attitude of his congregations. He is, however, fully in sympathy with the General Council and contemplates uniting with a Synod of this body.

Rev. Charles V. Molnar was examined and received by the Pittsburgh Synod in 1909. He is pastor of an influential congregation in North Side, Pittsburgh, and supplies a mission at Monaca, Pa.

Rev. Ludwig Havel, formerly engaged as a missionary by the Slav Mission Board, accepted a call in 1909, from the congregation at Freeland, Pa., which is now self-sustaining, but formerly received support from the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. This is one of the oldest Slovak congregations in America.

Rev. Karol Salva was ordained by the Pittsburgh Synod in 1910. In November of the same year he took charge of a self-sustaining congregation in Cleveland, O. This congregation has invested $11,000 in church property. Rev. Salva supplies a mission in Barberton, O., which was organized by the superintendent in March, 1910. The congregation has recently purchased a school house which is to be remodeled into a church edifice. Rev. Salva occasionally supplies the mission at Gypsum, Ohio.

It is evident, that, through the help and agency of the Slav Mission Board, six self-sustaining congregations have their own pastors. Six additional mission stations are also supplied by these pastors. All these congregations have substantial church edifices and five have their own parsonages. Three of the mission congregations have their own chapels.

Rev. John Jurco is our missionary at Peckville, Pa. Under his administration since 1909, the church property has been improved and a parsonage erected. He conducts a parochial school for the children. A large number of Slovak Lutherans, though not members, are reached and receive the ministrations of the Church, through this congregation.

The congregation at Northampton, Pa., has been regularly supplied by our missionary Rev. Julius Czernecky since 1909. During a depression in the cement industry, a large number of Slovak people left this region, in consequence of which the congregation suffered loss of members. Recently improvements in the works have brought about better conditions. The congregation paid, at beginning of the year, $600.00 on its church debt.

(*b*) *Magyars.*

Our mission interests among the Magyar Lutherans have suffered long delays, because no available ministers were at hand. The work is still greatly retarded from the same cause. We have lost many of our members who became members in Magyar Reformed and Presbyterian congregations.

Rev. Stephen Ruzsa, the Magyar missionary in Cleveland, O., has given effectual service in developing our interests among this nationality. The Magyar congregation at Cleveland has a church and parsonage. The schoolroom has been fitted up with desks, and during the summer vacation, Rev. and Mrs. Ruzsa conduct a parochial school. The enrollment at the beginning of the term in June was fifty-seven pupils.

In October, 1910, Mr. James Becker, a theological student in Hungary, came to America in response to a call from our Board. He attended lectures in the Theological Seminary at Philadelphia until February, 1911, when he was ordained by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. After his ordination, Rev. Becker began to work among the Magyar Lutherans in Detroit, Mich. The work here has suffered from long neglect. Occasional services were conducted here by Rev. Ruzsa. A serious obstacle to the growth of the mission, is the lack of a suitable place of worship. The congregation has been organized, and the General Council constitution adopted. The congregation was received by the Chicago Synod at its last session. Rev. Becker has a parochial school during the summer months. The congregation has collected $300 for a church building. Here a little assistance towards the erection of a church would be of inestimable value. Efforts should be made for a Church Extension Fund.

At the recent meeting of the Slav Mission Board it was resolved to create a Church Extension Fund in order to help this congregation to a permanent church home.

Last March the Superintendent accompanied by Rev. Becker, made a thorough canvass in Elgin, Ill. The Rev. Benj. F. Hoefer, of our English Lutheran Church there, assisted very materially in this work. A large number of Protestant Magyars are living here of whom the majority are Lutherans. Services are now conducted regularly once a month by Rev. Becker from Detroit. A congregation has been organized which adopted the General Council constitution, and was received by the Chicago Synod. The congregation is anxious for a resident pastor. The Slav Mission Board is now negotiating with ministers in Hungary, with a view to issue a call for a man for Elgin, Ill.

After long delay and repeated efforts, the Magyar congregation of New Brunswick, N. J., finally succeeded in getting a minister from Hungary. In August,, 1910, Rev. Karl B. Németh came to America and took charge of the congregation. The following December a church edifice costing about $4,000, was consecrated. This congregation has been self-sustaining from the beginning.

A number of Magyar Lutherans live in Buffalo, N. Y. Services were begun here last February, but owing to lack of ministers it is impossible to provide properly for this field. An occasional service may be conducted, just as was done at Detroit, until a missionary can be permanently located.

Martin's Ferry, O., after having been without any service for several years, again made an appeal. Rev. Ruzsa, of Cleveland, is endeavoring to give one service a month to these people.

To care for our Magyar Lutheran mission we ought to station at once

three missionaries: one in Elgin, Ill., one in Buffalo, N. Y., and one in Martin's Ferry, O. The Board has taken steps to secure a man for Elgin, but owing to lack of funds no action has been taken to secure men for the other two missions. Several Magyar ministers from Hungary are available, at this time, to accept calls from America.

(*c*) *Slovenians.*

Rev. W. A. Lambert accepted a call from the Slav Mission Board to work among the Slovenians in South Bethlehem, Pa. He entered upon his labors in December, 1909. Many of the Slovenians understood some German, accordingly the services at first were in the German language. Rev. Lambert, however, began to study the Slovenian language and at present the services are conducted in that language. The progress of this mission has been phenomenal. Soon a congregation was organized and steps taken to secure a church property. The basement of a church building 90 feet by 36 feet was consecrated in February of this year. The property investment to date amounts to $8,000, of which about $5,000 has already been secured. The present membership is five hundred. The Slovaks of South Bethlehem, although maintaining a separate organization, will also use this edifice and contribute to its support. Rev. Lambert conducts separate services for them in the Slovak language. The results obtained in this mission have been the admiration of all who know the field. We see here a splendid evidence that it is worth our efforts to assist our foreign brethren in their struggle to provide a church home.

(*d*) *Siebenbuergers.*

On Reformation Day, 1909, Rev. George Schuster was ordained by the officers of the Pittsburgh Synod. Rev. Schuster studied in his home land for the ministry and is the first minister of that nationality, ordained in America. The Siebenbuergers are Germans who have lived in Transylvania, in Southeastern Hungary, since the twelfth century. In spite of their isolated condition, they have maintained their distinctive German nationality. It is, however, a fact that here in America they continue in their national trait and do not associate, even with other Germans, in Church relations. The Siebenbuergers are Lutherans, but sad to say many are turning a deaf ear to the claims of religion in their adopted country. Socialism is gaining many followers among them. Rev. Schuster has made a canvass in the cities where the Siebenbuergers are located and a missionary itinerary has been established. The largest number of active church people live in Youngstown, O. Here a congregation has been organized with three hundred members. Efforts are made to collect funds with which to secure a church home. About $1,500 have been secured. It has not been practical to establish permanent organizations in any of the other mission stations. The congregation at Youngstown has only one service a month, while the other time, he devotes to the ten mission stations. There ought to be an additional missionary for this field. Rev. A. P. Lentz is supplying the Siebenbuerger congregation at Ellwood City, Pa., under whose fostering care this congregation has secured its own church building.

(e) *Letts.*

The Lettish people in the homeland in Russia are exclusively Lutherans. Here in America many have departed from the faith and espoused the cause of socialism and scoff at the revealed Word of God. Our missionary Rev. John Steik of Boston, is indeed making an heroic effort to stem this wave of unbelief among his countrymen. Recently Rev. Steik wrote: "My struggle with socialism is hard, nevertheless we hope to keep our balance. Our refuge and strength is the Lord." "Once the Lettish unbelief will turn back to the open grave of the living Easter King." Rev. Steik conducts every month three services in Boston, the fourth Sunday he conducts services in the forenoon in New York and in the afternoon in Philadelphia. Each of these cities ought to have a resident Lettish pastor. The cities of Cleveland and Chicago were partially canvassed and two services conducted in July and December, 1910. While the attendance and interest manifested was not encouraging, nevertheless a large number of Lutheran Letts live in both cities, and a missionary should be stationed in both cities, to minister to the faithful and endeavor to rescue the erring and unbelieving. Lettish services have also been conducted at Tarrytown, N. Y., and Milo, Me.

STUDENTS.

Paul A. Putra, of Lansford, Pa., is now a senior at the Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. During his Seminary course he is supplying the Slovak congregations at Philadelphia, Pa., and Trenton, N. J.

Mathew Benko, Martin Slabej and Peter Juras have been attending the academic course at Thiel College for the past two years. At the beginning of their course they were very deficient in the English language. Their application has been highly commendable.

Paul Chropuvka, of Lansford, Pa., a Slovak, attended the Allentown Preparatory School during the past year.

At the same institution Fritz Ernest Sermulin of Boston, Mass., has been preparing for Muhlenberg College. Mr. Sermulin prepares for the ministry among the Letts. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stein, of Allentown, Pa., have become interested in Mr. Sermulin, and promised him a scholarship at College.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Norristown Conference has pledged the support of a student while pursuing his studies for the ministry among foreign-speaking people. The society paid into our treasury during the past year $250.00 for this purpose. The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Western Conference of the Synod of New York and New England, has likewise pledged annually $250.00 for the education of a student preparing to minister to his countrymen of foreign speech. The Board would urge upon other societies similar action.

The Board has received favorably the applications of Samuel Placko, a Slovak, and Charles F. Heldner, Lett, to enter our institutions next fall preparing for the ministry.

LITERATURE.

It is surprising to note the far-reaching influence that the press wields among all classes of immigrants. Almost every nationality publishes a weekly, and some even daily papers. Various church papers and tracts are published in foreign languages, by different denominations. We are particularly impressed with the importance of a Slovak religious paper, even if it were only a small monthly periodical, that could be scattered broad-cast among our people. Small tracts on religious topics published in foreign languages would be exceedingly serviceable to counteract the baneful errors promulgated by an irreligious press. Special Bible literature in foreign languages, to meet the needs of children who do not attend Sunday-school, and for the parents who are deprived of church services, would certainly prove a great blessing to our brethren of foreign speech. Other denominations are extensively publishing and circulating literature in foreign languages.

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

The need for a ministry able to use the foreign language is fully recognized on all sides. A new problem is now beginning to force itself on our attention, namely, the necessity, to erect suitable churches for the foreign-speaking congregations. It would be of the utmost advantage, if a Church Extension Fund could be created, which could be applied to the erection of churches for foreign-speaking congregations. In localities where our Lutheran people are only few in number, the prospects for a church home are very discouraging. If a Church Extension Fund were available now for our Magyar congregation in Detroit, Mich., the work would gain by leaps and bounds, over what its progress or rather its struggle will be without a suitable church building. A similar necessity prevails in other places for other nationalities. In some places only a small loan would be sufficient to establish the work of erecting a chapel.

DIFFICULTIES.

The mission work among our present class of immigrants presents, in many respects, a unique problem. There are hindrances met here of such a peculiar character, that persons, not conversant with the situation, cannot rightly estimate. It will be impossible to enter into a discussion of the many difficulties, that block the progress in providing religious ministrations for the immigrants. One of the greatest needs for the success of the work, is ministers who can use the language of the different nationalities. There is an urgent call at present to station at least four Slovak, three Magyar, three Lett, and one Siebenbuerger, missionaries. Surely when we reflect what a blessed work these eleven men would accomplish for the extension of the kingdom of God and the salvation of souls, then we feel that it is high time to pray that the Lord of the Vineyard would send forth more laborers. And yet, at least for the Magyar field, we could secure the three men, if the Board had in sight the prospect to guarantee them a proper support. We need men, but these men must also be assured

of a proper support. The Board has had six students in course of training for the ministry, and has added two new ones to enter in fall.

The infrequent and irregular services for our scattered mission congregations is an occasion for serious apprehension. The hearts of the people become gradually estranged from the regular ministrations of the house of God; so that one communion service a year begins to satisfy the religious craving of a great many. This, however, is the last stage of their religious experience, hence it is very critical not to neglect the foreign people too long, until this last desire is gone and they have made shipwreck of their faith.

A very pitiful state of affairs is the deprivation of religious instruction for their children. Because of the language difficulty, many children, yea the majority, never attend any Sunday-school. Many American-born children of foreign parents cannot read the language of their parents, thus there is a chasm between the parents and children, even though godly parents desire to instruct their children. The result of this state of affairs is that the rising generation practically grows up without the rudiments of religious knowledge, unless the Church will provide the means of such instruction. This is a very serious matter, and deserves the prayerful attention of the Church.

A very pernicious evil, that is rapidly making progress among foreign people in America, is the destructive influence of socialism and an irreligious press. The Church dare not neglect her people, in providing for the preaching of the Gospel.

OPPORTUNITIES AND PROSPECTS.

During the past two years the field of operation has been very much extended, both in territory and force of laborers. Five ordained ministers have been added to the working forces, three of whom were ordained, one received from another body, and one came from Hungary. We are now providing the education for eight students who are preparing for the ministry among foreign people, of whom six are Slovak and two Lettish. One Magyar minister is about to be called from Hungary.

Four church edifices were consecrated, and one parsonage erected. One congregation purchased a lot, another a school house. Several missions are collecting funds for a church property.

The foreign people have become acquainted with the benevolent operations of the General Council and look with hopeful expectation for support to us. The present time is, however, not only opportune, but also highly critical, to come to their assistance. The people are still in an expectant mood. If their hopes are disappointed, and their religious needs continually unsupplied, they may ultimately fall a prey to the many anti-religious influences which are around them.

We are gradually losing many of our unshepherded Lutheran people to other denominations, who are carrying on extensive missionary operations among all nationalities. The Bible colporteurs, the Christian Kindergartens, the mission Sunday-schools and a strong force of trained workers, are powerful agencies to draw our own people, when neglected with the

means of grace. By way of comparison, some denominations spent a thousand dollars for mission operations among the immigrants, to every hundred dollars that we offer. Shall be continue to waste our opportunities to serve the needy and the neglected?

FINANCES.

At the last meeting of the General Council, an annual apportionment of five thousand dollars was made to the District Synods. The disappointing fact is, that some of the Synods raised nothing on their apportionment, and others only a small per cent. The field of operation has rapidly extended and made much larger demands than the apportionment provided. The total money expended the previous biennium was $4,900. The money expended during the past two years amounts to over $18,000. To provide for obligations now in force an annual outlay of $11,000 is required. This makes no allowance whatever for the extension of the work during the coming biennium, which, however, will be an inevitable necessity. In order to meet the growing demands of the work during the past biennium a debt of $3,000 had to be incurred.

APPORTIONMENT.

The Slav Mission Board has carefully considered the situation and after mature deliberation, respectfully requests the General Council, that an apportionment of ten thousand dollars be made to the District Synods for each year of the present biennium.

We urge that the attention of the District Synods be directed to the importance of collecting the amount apportioned to them.

Your Board would respectfully ask that the following sums be apportioned for each year of the present biennium for the support of Slav Missions to the various Synods:

Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$4,750 00
Pittsburgh Synod	1,500 00
Ministerium of New York	1,000 00
New York and New England Synod	1,000 00
Augustana Synod	600 00
Canada Synod	150 00
Chicago Synod	200 00
District Synod of Ohio	450 00
Synod of the Northwest	200 00
Synod of Central Canada	50 00
Pacific Synod	37 00
Nova Scotia Synod	38 00
Manitoba Synod	25 00
	$10,000 00

SLOVAK CONGREGATIONS SERVED BY THE SUPT. A. L. RAMER.

Place	Ev. Slovak Residents	Present at Service	Communed Within Year
New Haven, Conn.	17	12	8
Tarrytown, N. Y.	35	20	15
Hudson, N. Y.	19	8	7
Buffalo, N. Y.	66	31	30
Perth Amboy, N. J.	22	11	9
Trenton, N. J.	50	45	24
Philadelphia, Pa.	38	55	32
Chester, Pa.	6	5	5
Pottstown, Pa.	22	25	22
Saltsburg, Pa.	78	41	20
Iselin, Pa.	22	20	17
Houtzdale, Pa.	100	110	86
Erie, Pa.	15	14	9
Prince George, Va.	32	30	20
Emporium, Va.	27	45	22
Osaka, Va.	27	40	19
Tom's Creek, Va.	10	7	3
Freeman, Va.	19	19	17
Gary, W. Va.	27	20	15
Wheeling, W. Va.	28	7	7
Barton, O.	38	30	30
Canal Dover, O.	135	36	21
Toledo, O.	51	37	33
Detroit, Mich., (Delray)	120	82	61
Detroit, Mich., (East)	150	55	27
	1154	805	559

SLOVAK MISSIONS

Place.	Pastor.	Families.	Paying Members.	Attendance.	Communed Within Year.	Value of Property.	Debt on Property.
Northampton, Pa.	Rev. Julius Czernecky	28	210	140	132	$10000	$5400
Peckville, Pa.	Rev. John Jurco	38	95	200	258	8000	4000
South Bethlehem, Pa.	Rev. W. A. Lambert	...	...	15	70	.....	.....
		66	305	355	460		
SLOVENIAN MISSION.							
South Bethlehem, Pa.	Rev. W. A. Lambert	...	450	250	360	$ 8000	$4000
MAGYAR MISSIONS.							
Cleveland, O.	Rev. Stephen Ruzsa	153	209	220	161	$14000	$6500
Martin's Ferry, O.	Rev. Stephen Ruzsa	...	...	61	22	.....	.....
Buffalo, N. Y.	Rev. Stephen Ruzsa	...	...	32	20	.....	.....
Detroit, Mich.	Rev. James Becker	...	100	64	15	.....	.....
Elgin, Ill.	Rev. James Becker	65	...	100	70	.....	.....
		218	309	477	288		
SIEBENBUERGER MISSIONS.							
Youngstown, O.	Rev. George Schuster	...	....	300	53	.....	.....
Salem, O.	"	...	....	74	40	.....	.....
Cleveland, O.	"	...	....	80	....	.....	.....
Lorain, O.	"	...	....	76	....	.....	.....
Alliance, O.	"	...	....	90	....	.....	.....
Niles, O.	"	...	....	35	....	.....	.....
New Castle, Pa.	"	...	....	35	....	.....	.....
Homestead, Pa.	"	...	....	40	....	.....	.....
Erie, Pa.	"	...	....	75	....	.....	.....
South Sharon, Pa.	"	...	....	53	....	.....	.....
Monaca, Pa.	"	...	....	120	....	.....	.....
Ellwood City, Pa.	Rev. A. P. Lentz	...	75	75	60	2000	.....
LETTISH MISSIONS.		...	75	978	153	2000	.....
Boston, Mass.	Rev. John Steik	...	42	150	63	.....	.....
New York, N. Y.	"	...	....	46	6	.....	.....
Philadelphia, Pa.	"	...	....	44	8	.....	.....
Milo, Me.	"	...	....	13	11	.....	.....
Cleveland, O.	"	...	....	25	3	.....	.....
Chicago, Ill.	"	...	....	17	....	.....	.....
			42	295	91		

SELF-SUSTAINING SLOVAK CONGREGATIONS.

Place.	Pastor.	Confirmed Members.	Communed Within Year.	Value of Property.	Debt on Property.
Mahanoy City, Pa.	Rev. A. D. Dianiska	120	180	$12000	$400
Freeland, Pa.	Rev. Ludwig Havel	138	130	8000	500
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Rev. C. V. Molnar	....	....	.....	.....
Cleveland, O.	Rev. Karol Salva	....	....	.....	.....
Chicago, Ill.	Rev. Samuel Lichner	500	400	32000	12000
Chicago, Ill.	Rev. Samuel Schultz	1000	....	40000	11000

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board.

J. O. SCHLENKER, *President.*
J. C. RAUSCH, *Secretary.*

A. L. RAMER, *Superintendent.*

Report of the Treasurer of the Slav Mission Board from Sept. 1, 1909, to July 26, 1911.

DEBIT.

Balance on hand, Sept. 1, 1909	$ 437 25	
Received from the various District Synods on account of apportionments	5,652 64	
Appropriations for educational purposes by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania	1,950 00	
Collections from Superintendent and Missionaries	1,555 52	
Contributions received by special agents (appointed by the Board)	4,123 39	
Personal Contributions	137 00	
Paid by Slovak Ev. Luth. Congregation, Northampton, Pa., towards support of pastor	575 00	
From Allentown Conference (towards appropriation)	750 00	
From Pittsburgh Synod (for acct. Rev. Ruza's salary)	233 25	
From Slovak Union (for educational purposes)	100 00	
Loans made	4,000 00	
Interest refunded on loan paid	5 83	
		$19,519 88

CREDIT.

Salaries and expenses paid to Superintendent and Missionaries	$11,930 55	
Salaries and Expenses paid to Special Agents (appointed by the Board)	3,794 24	
Educational purposes	2,027 85	
Loans paid	1,000 00	
Interest paid on Loans	246 26	
Sundry Items	321 05	
Balance on hand, July 26, 1911	199 93	
		$19,519 88

H. E. YOUNG, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned committee, have carefully examined the above account and find the same to be true and correct.

(Signed) W. H. Rehrig,
Chas. A. Worsley.

After referring the apportionments to the Budget Committee, the Council adopted the report as a whole.

The President appointed the following

Committee to nominate the Board of Slav Missions, the Publication Board and the Swedish Mission Board: The Rev. Drs. L. G. Abrahamson, J. F. Ohl, G. Nelsenius, Rev. H. R. Erdmann and Mr. C. A. Worsley.

The Rev. F. O. Hanson presented the report of the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SWEDISH HOME MISSIONS.

(The Augustana Synod's Missions.)

The Augustana Synod is, through its Home Mission Board and its conferences, carrying on the Swedish Home Mission work of the General Council. During the last two years eighteen missionaries have during the whole or part of the biennial period been engaged in missionary work under the direct supervision and support of the Synod's Home Mission Board. These have been employed on the mission fields in Utah, Idaho, Montana, Alabama, Florida, Tennessee, District of Columbia, and Alaska. Rev. E. Floreen is laboring on the mission fields in Utah, with Salt Lake City as headquarters. Rev. J. E. Barrington, who was also on the Utah field, is now stationed at Boise, Idaho. In Montana the work is carried on in Butte by J. W. Nyvall, in Helena by Rev. P. A. Fair, in Billings by Student O. T. Floodberg, in Great Falls by Rev. C. A. Eckstrom, and in Missoula Rev. C. J. Bengston was engaged until last June, when he had to leave on account of ill health; Anaconda is vacant at present, but the Board hopes to have a man there soon. Rev. J. H. Warmanen is laboring in Alaska with Douglas as headquarters. In Alabama Rev. J. J. Richard is working, having his headquarters at Thorsby. He makes regular visits at Fruithurst, Birmingham, Ensley, and Silver Hill. Dr. E. J. Werner is still stationed at Pierson, Florida, having preaching stations at Upsala, De Land, and Forest City. Last year the Mission Board began work in Tennessee. Rev. J. P. Leaf is stationed there with Tennessee Ridge, Tenn., as headquarters, and a congregation has already been organized. Mission work has also been taken up in Washington, D. C., with Rev. A. J. Enstam as missionary.

The sum expended by the Synod on its home mission field for the biennium amounts to $27,485.86.

Besides the Home Mission work carried on by the Synod through its Mission Board, each Conference of the Synod carries on an extensive mission work within its own limits. One hundred and ninety pastors and mis-

sionaries are wholly or in part supported by the Synod and its Conferences.

The sums expended by the Conferences are as follows:

1. The New York Conference. This Conference embraces all the States east of Indiana. During the last biennium $19,822.90 has been expended for missions within this territory.

2. The Illinois Conference. It embraces Illinois, Indiana, part of Michigan and Eastern Wisconsin. The sum expended for the missions for the biennium amounts to $28,118.78.

3. The Superior Conference. This Conference was organized in April, 1910, from three mission districts of the Illinois Conference. It embraces Upper Michigan and part of Wisconsin. Most of its home mission work was carried on by the Illinois Conference till the end of 1910. It expended $1,316.78 for mission work during the first year.

4. The Minnesota Conference. It embraces Minnesota, the two Dakotas, Western Wisconsin, and all of Canada except British Columbia. The sum expended for the last two years amounts to $38,264.73.

5. The Iowa Conference. It embraces Iowa and Missouri, exclusive of Kansas City. The sum expended on its missions amounts to $10,677.78 for the last biennium.

6. The Kansas Conference. It covers Kansas, Colorado, Texas and Kansas City, Mo. The sum expended during the biennium amounts to $14,084.37.

7. The Nebraska Conference, embracing Nebraska and Wyoming, has expended for its home missions during the biennium, $7,688.36.

8. The Columbia Conference includes Oregon, Washington, Northern Idaho, and British Columbia. During the last two years it has expended $14,759.08 on its home missions. Part of this sum has, however, been contributed by the Synod as a whole.

9. The California Conference, including only the state of California, has during the last biennium expended $1,780.50 on its home mission fields. To this sum the Synod as a whole has contributed some.

The Synod also supports Immigrant Missions in New York and Boston, with a home for each, where a missionary is stationed.

The total amount expended by the Synod and the Conference during the last two years amounts to $163,999.14.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Larson, *Secretary.*

The report was adopted as a whole.

Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer, led by Dr. H. W. Roth.

THIRD SESSION

Friday, September 15, 2 p. m.

The Rev. Franklin F. Fry, of Rochester, N. Y., conducted the devotional service.

In the temporary absence of the President, the Rev. Dr. L. A. Johnston, the Third Vice-president, took the chair, and at the President's request presided during the entire session.

The election of Trustees took place. See the First Session.

George E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., presented the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

No changes have occurred in the officers and the Executive Committee of the Board since the last report was rendered to this body. A slight change was made in the Finance Committee, which consists of the President ex-officio, Dr. Sadtler, Messrs. James G. Finley, and James N. Mohr.

The Board has not lost sight of the action taken by the General Council two years ago, in regard to the publication of a Statistical Year Book. Of the items to which reference is made, all but four appear in the Church Almanac. The Board has therefore hesitated to publish such a Year Book and asks for further instruction in this matter.

With reference to the matter of regular form of agreement between the Publication Board of the Iowa Synod and the Publication Board of the General Council, affecting the sale of sheets and bound volumes of the Kirchenbuch and Church Book referred to this Board by the Council in 1909, we would report that this has been attended to and the agreement is in operation.

In the matter of action taken by this body two years ago directing this Board to "honor drafts of the Church Book Committee for amounts not exceeding $100.00 a year for books for the Liturgical Library at the Philadelphia Seminary, such purchases to be ordered by the Church Book Committee," your Board would respectfully report that all such drafts received due attention and the money paid during the biennium for this purpose amounted to $97.81. On the other hand, regarding the instruction of this body that the "Publication Board be requested to honor the orders of the Church Book Committee for such expenses as it may incur in performing this work, provided the total amount should not exceed $400.00 for the coming biennium," your Board must acknowledge that owing to its conception of the importance of the work, and the orders of the Church Book Committee, the amount paid to the Church Book Committee during the biennium exceeded the $400.00 by $157.97. The Board entertains the hope that the General Council will accede to its generosity in this respect.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

"The Catechist's Handbook." The Rev. J. W. Horine of Philadelphia, in the early part of the biennium requested the Board to publish a book, entitled, "The Catechist's Handbook, being also an Exposition of Luther's Small Catechism for Laymen," and submitted the manuscript offering to pay the expenses incurred in its publication. The manuscript was examined and the Board agreed to accept the offer. The work appeared, November 29, 1909.

The second volume of the "Biography of Dr. Krauth," to which reference was made in the report two years ago, was published by the Board and placed on the market, December 1, 1909. While this volume completes this biography, and no doubt enhances the sale of the first volume, the demand for the two volumes up to this time is not what might reasonably be expected for such an important work. If we are not mistaken, Dr. Spaeth had in mind and had collected data for the publication of a third volume devoted more especially to certain sayings and writings of Dr. Krauth, which have not heretofore appeared in print.

Agreeably to the instruction given by the General Council two years ago, "The Documentary History of the General Council," prepared by the Rev. S. E. Ochsenford, D.D., is now in course of publication and will be ready for distribution at the time of this convention of the Council or shortly thereafter.

Recently the editor of *The Lutheran* wrote a series of articles on "Christian Science," which appeared as editorials in *The Lutheran* from time to time. These articles proved to be so timely and to the point, that the desire to have them in book form grew to such an extent that the editor cheerfully yielded to the demand and the Board of Publication arranged for their publication. The book was placed on the market at the beginning of this year and has met with a large sale and favorable comments.

Previously to this time the editor also had published in *The Lutheran* a translation of the "Ninety-five Theses of Luther" with notes interspersed in smaller type. In response to many requests on the part of laymen for copies of them, the editor wrote a short introduction to the "Theses" and the Board published them in pamphlet form. This supplies a want which has long been felt.

The subject and work of the important cause of Inner Mission has claimed the attention of this body for some time, and justly so, and wise and far-reaching action has been taken, so that the Board felt itself justified in entering upon agreement with the Rev. Dr. J. F. Ohl, to publish a "Handbook on Inner Mission," the manuscript having been prepared by him. The work was undertaken and the Business Manager gave it his accustomed and tactful attention, so that the book was ready for the market the beginning of May of this year. It has met with a remarkable degree of success as far as sales are concerned, and a high appreciation of its subject matter. It is the only book that has appeared in the English language on the subject of Inner Mission.

Whilst the Board was of the opinion that the reduction in the price of the Book of Concord would be the means of increasing the circulation of this valuable work, especially among the laymen of the Church, it soon became apparent that this would not be realized. Steps were therefore taken to carry out the desire so frequently expressed, viz. to publish an edition of the Book of Concord at a popular price. The Rev. Dr. Jacobs kindly consented to edit this edition and the Board immediately made arrangements for its early publication. The new edition appeared during the month of April this year, and judging from the wide circulation it has already received and the many expressions of commendation, not only from members of the General Council, but from many others, it is evident that this was a step well taken.

Owing to the many duties and the large amount of work that the Church demands from the hands and the ready pen of the President of this body, the Rev. Dr. Schmauk, together with his serious illness, the appearance of "The Confessional Principle and the Confessions of the Lutheran Church" was somewhat delayed. However, when we take into consideration the wide scope which this work covers, and the accurateness accompanying every statement made, the Church has not lost anything by the short delay in the publication and will therefore readily understand and appreciate the reference that was made to this important work in our report two years ago. We take pleasure in reporting at this time that the work looked for so eagerly by many, was placed on the market the beginning of June, 1911. The orders received during this short time are very gratifying, we may say beyond our most sanguine expectations, and the reviews and notices that have appeared from time to time show the high estimate in which this work is held by the men of the Church. The Board gave an expression of its estimate of this work in its Report at the last biennium.

Another work of great importance has been brought to the attention of the Board of Publication since the meeting of the General Council at Minneapolis. Several meetings were held by certain brethren living in and near Philadelphia, who are particularly interested in furnishing to the Church an English translation of selected works of Luther. It is proposed to prepare and publish ten volumes, the work to be completed in 1917, thus making it one of the memorial or jubilee publications of the Quadri-Centennial of the Reformation. A committee on the translation is at work and the Board of Publication has agreed to undertake the publication of this work upon expressed and distinct conditions.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL PUBLICATIONS.

In accordance with the action taken by the General Council two years ago, the Board has published "Bible Outlines," which takes the place of "Bible Literature" in quarterly form. It has also published "In Mother's Arms," a work prepared and edited by Dr. Schmauk, Chairman of the Committee on Sunday-school Work. This is the first book in the Graded System of Religious Instruction for the Children of the Church and is at

the foundation of the whole series. Whilst its appearance has been somewhat delayed, the subject matter and its efficient treatment will compensate for the delay.

As a number of years have elapsed since the publication of the Picture Charts for the use of Sunday-schools in the Junior Department, and inasmuch as there seems to be quite a demand for a new set of Charts, negotiations have been entered into with a reliable party for the publication of a new edition of Charts. This will involve a large outlay of money, but the Board has faith in the Sunday-schools, and with other publishing houses uniting with us in the enterprise, it hopes for the return of a large proportion of the money thus expended. In consequence of the increased cost of production, the price to schools will be proportionately greater.

The issue of the joint Sunday-school paper has not only been continued, but considerably enlarged. Instead of issuing an eight-page weekly, we are issuing a twelve-page weekly since the first of April, 1911. The enlargement of "Young Folks" has likewise been the means of increasing its circulation, while the price of the paper remains the same as it was before the change was made. Otherwise the Sunday-school apparatus in use has been continued, and the amounts regularly paid to the Committee for expenses as directed by the General Council.

DER DEUTSCHE LUTHERANER.

The Board takes pleasure in reporting that in conformity with the action taken and the instructions given by the General Council at its meeting in Minneapolis, it was made possible for this Board to publish the German organ as directed. The German papers, "Der Lutherische Herold," the official organ of the New York Ministerium, "Das Kirchenblatt" of the Canada Synod, and "Das Lutherische Kirchenblatt" of Reading, Pa., a private enterprise, were transferred to the General Council and the mailing lists handed over to the Board of Publication. These papers were merged and formed the new German organ and the title, "Der Deutsche Lutheraner," chosen. The editor and his associates prepared and still prepare the reading matter and the Board attends to its publication. The first issue appeared January 6, 1910, and since that time it has continued to be issued as a weekly without interruption. The German interests of the General Council are emphasized and every item of importance in the German Church is brought to the attention and careful consideration of the German constituency. The editor will very likely report in detail on this important matter and it is not necessary that we should cover the same ground. The circulation of this new enterprise is encouraging, but the list of subscribers will have to be materially increased before the paper will be financially a success. The Board has paid the amount prescribed by this body, namely, five hundred dollars per annum, in quarterly installments for departmental work, news gathering, and other necessary office expenses.

THE LUTHERAN.

The General Council has had an 'official church paper' for fifteen years. On October 1st, 1896, The Lutheran and The Workman were merged into The Lutheran as the official organ of the General Council.

As to its scope, it was stated in the first issue,—"It is not to be the organ of one Synod or of any section of the country," . . . . The editors propose to deal with all,—Germans, Scandinavians, and English-speaking brethren,—as members of one household of faith, whom no consideration of language or nationality should separate."

During these years, without wavering, The Lutheran has stood for every principle, and has zealously championed every interest of the body which it represents. That this organ has been a most potent agency in advancing the interests of the General Council itself, its missionary, benevolent and educational activities, is very generally recognized.

The beginning was small and humble; financially it was uncertain; but the growth in circulation, influence and prestige has been constant and encouraging. The past year during which the every member canvass has been urged has been one of marked advance. The new subscriptions taken during the past twelve months fully equal 33 1-3 per cent. of the names on the mailing list a year ago. Better results for the effort that has been made, could hardly be expected.

The difficulty with all periodicals, and especially Church papers, is to hold the circulation which they secure. For this reason there must be constant and persistent effort. The General Council, through its District Synods, its pastors and the officials of its congregations, have it in their power to aid in reaching the desirable aim of placing the Church paper in every home. The results in intelligent and effective Church work in all departments would soon demonstrate the wisdom and economy of the effort and expense necessary to secure and maintain such a general circulation for the weekly Church paper.

The fifteenth anniversary of the beginning of a paper of the character and standing of The Lutheran and its recent rapid advances would seem to call for some recognition on the part of those whom it represents and whose interests it so unselfishly and enthusiastically espouses.

MATTERS IN GENERAL.

The term of five members of the Board expires at this time, viz.: Rev. S. A. Ziegenfuss, D.D.; Rev. Charles J. Cooper, D.D.; Rev. John W. Horine; Mr. James G. Finley and Chas. B. Opp.

It will not be out of place to insert the action taken by the Board at its recent meeting when the Business Manager presented a most encouraging, complete and satisfactory report of the business and finances of the Publication matters for the two years just closed, viz.: "The members of the Board desire to put on record their great gratification of the business and finances of the Board, and congratulate the Business Manager on his business tact and efficiency."

TREASURER'S REPORT.

July 1, 1909, to June 30, 1911.

Receipts.

Cash Balance, June 30, 1909		$13,337 62
Cash from Sales of		
English Publications	$48,945 26	
German Publications	$22,538 21	
Sunday-school Literature	75,120 53	
The Lutheran	25,344 54	
The Lutheran Messenger	1,260 38	
Foreign Missionary	2,306 05	
Home Missionary	2,389 29	
Church Review	2,852 60	
Der Deutsche Lutheraner	8,609 05	
Rent	3,828 06	
Interest	2,175 00	
Redemption of Note	5,000 00	
Miscellaneous	26,776 52	
		$227,538 46
Interest on Bank Balances		392 97
Total		$240,876 08

Disbursements.

Paper	$19,163 79
Printing	65,243 45
Binding	20,551 56
Plates and Cuts	4,681 61
Merchandise purchases	28,774 74
Postage and Express	12,567 66
Expenses for writers, editor, clerk hire, proof-reading, etc., Sunday-school Work Committee	6,732 18
Editorial and Canvassing Expenses:	
The Lutheran	5,903 41
The Lutheran Messenger	100 00
Der Deutsche Lutheraner	753 87
Other Editorial Expenses	660 00
Sinking Fund:	
Certificates of Deposit	15,000 00
Investment Securities	10,105 00
Commissions	12 50
Accrued Interest	164 44
Salaries	23,349 17
Stationery and Advertising	2,914 17
Taxes and Water Rent	1,941 75

Telephone Service	$281 18	
Interest	2,573 60	
Insurance	410 96	
Office equipment additional	333 96	
Coal	150 00	
Gas	234 90	
Repairs	127 20	
Boxes, Wrapping Paper and Twine	$654 50	
Miscellaneous	484 67	
Total		$223,870 27
Leaving a balance of		$17,005 81

GEO. E. SCHLEGELMILCH, *Treasurer*

July 15, 1911.

ASSETS.

Real estate, furniture, and office fixtures (The real estate is assessed at $60,000.)	$59,968 77	
Sinking Fund	44,705 00	
Inventory	20,688 65	
Electro Plates	8,167 31	
Accounts receivable	26,717 86	
Cash	17,005 81	
		$177,253 40

LIABILITIES.

Mortgage Loan	$30,000 00	
Accounts Payable	5,973 84	
		$35,973 84
Net Valuation		$141,279 56

Accountant's Certificate.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., August 28, 1911.

Dr. Samuel P. Sadtler, President, Board of Publication of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, 1522 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

DEAR SIR:—In conformity with your instructions, I have examined the Cash and Bank Accounts of the Treasurer and Manager of the Board of Publication of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, 1522 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa., for two years ended June 30, 1911, and hereby certify that the same is correct and that the balance on hand and in bank at the close of business, June 30, 1911, was $17,005.81 as per report above.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) ROBT. A. WRIGHT,

Public Accountant and Auditor.

This biennium closes a period of fifteen years since the establishment of headquarters for the publication interests of the General Council. In this period a number of publications have been issued, including a Graded System of Sunday-School Instruction. The literature of the Church has been largely increased and the influence thereby exerted can not be overestimated. Truly we can exclaim with the psalmist, "Surely the Lord has established the work of our hands" and to Him be all the praise.

The Board therefore respectfully presents the following recommendations to the Council for action:

I. That we express our gratitude to almighty God for His guidance and blessing on the work accomplished by the Publication Board in the past and invoke the Divine blessing on the further dissemination of the literature of His Church through which Christ's Kingdom on earth will be extended and His name glorified.

II. That in the matter of publishing a statistical Year Book, the instructions did not appear to be entirely clear. The Board therefore requests more specific action.

III. That the action of the Board in paying to the Church Book Committee the amount in excess of the sum specified by the last Convention, be approved.

IV. That the publication of "Catechist's Handbook," the second volume of "Biography of Dr. Krauth," "Christian Science," "Ninety-five Theses with Notes," the "Book of Concord" at a popular price, the "Handbook on Inner Missions", and the latest to appear, "The Confessional Principle and the Confessions of the Lutheran Church," together with "Bible Outlines" and "In Mother's Arms," of the Sunday School Graded System, be approved, and that all these publications be recommended to the Church.

V. That the project on the part of some of our pastors and professors to produce an adequate and careful translation of the more important works of Luther with introduction and notes, is most praiseworthy as a proper memorial of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Reformation and the Fiftieth Anniversary of the organization of the General Council. That the action of the Publication Board in undertaking the work, be approved, and the labors of the committee receive the hearty endorsement of this body.

VI. That in view of the importance to the Church of the official Church papers, "The Lutheran" and "Der Deutsche Lutheraner," in order that they may more efficiently serve our constituency, we would respectfully request that this convention commend these organs of the Church and urge the Synods and pastors to devise ways and means for increasing their circulation in order more nearly to reach the ideal, namely a Church paper in every family in the General Council.

Very respectfully submitted,

By the BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

ACTION ON THE PUBLICATION REPORT.

The Council then took the following action on the Recommendations: All, except No. II, which was referred to the Committee on the President's Report, were adopted, and the report was adopted as a whole.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Berkemeier, it was

Resolved, That the Publication Board be authorized to entertain and carry out recommendations by the Editorial Committee of "Der Deutsche Lutheraner" regarding the publication of monthly German parish papers for individual territories and congregations.

Mr. William M. Mearig presented the following

RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE LAYMEN'S BUSINESS CONFERENCE.

At a Laymen's Conference held in the Martin Auditorium, Lancaster, on Wednesday, September 13, 1911, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That we heartily approve of the Report to be presented to the General Council by the Committee on Jubilee Fund, and recommend its adoption.

2. That this body recommend that a similar meeting of laymen be called at the next meeting of the General Council, two years hence, and that a committee of three be appointed who shall request the General Council to allow the following stated day and time for such a meeting, viz., Friday, September —, 1913, from 4 to 6 p. m., for a Laymen's Business Session, and the evening for a Laymen's Mass Meeting.

Wm. M. Mearig,
Wm. H. Hager,
C. R. Lantz.

The consideration of the first resolution was deferred until the Jubilee Committee's Report is presented.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the request for a Laymen's Mass Meeting on Friday afternoon and evening during the 1913 convention be granted, and that the whole communication be spread on the Minutes.

The reports of the Committees on Parts I and II of the President's Report were presented. See the First Session, under President's Report.

Mr. William H. Hager presented the

REPORT OF THE JUBILEE FUND COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on the Raising of a Two Million Dollar Jubilee Fund beg leave to submit the following report, in accordance with your instructions "to consider and report upon a practical plan to accomplish this object." We shall first make a brief reference to meetings held by your committee and its organization in order that you may realize that whatever the merits or faults of the plan we present, the plan has been arrived at only after conscientious, thorough deliberation and discussion, together with outside consultation with a number of representative clergy and laity of the various Synods of your honorable body.

Four meetings have been held by your committee. The first at Pittsburgh, where a temporary organization was effected by the election of William H. Hager, of Lancaster, as Acting President, and W. Warren Wattles, of Pittsburgh, as Acting Secretary. Further meetings were held at New York, Philadelphia, and Lancaster. At each one there was a representative attendance of the committee, and the Rev. Dr. Schmauk, your honored President. The New York meeting was notable owing to the presence, by invitation of your committee, of eight presidents of Synods of the General Council; probably the first time in the history of your body, that such a conference was considered necessary, and yet your committee felt that its work was of sufficient importance to require it. We were greatly gratified that the attendance was so large, and that the sympathy and approval of our tentative plans were so unanimous and cordial. The following presidents of Synods were present: Rev. Dr. E. T. Horn, President of Ministerium of Pennsylvania; Rev. Dr. F. Jacobson, appointed by Dr. Norelius to represent him as President of the Augustana Synod; Rev. Dr. G. C. F. Haas, President of New York Ministerium; Rev. W. A. Beates, President of District Synod of Ohio; Rev. A. W. Arbaugh, President of Chicago Synod; Rev. A. F. Reichert, President of Synod of Northwest; Rev. Dr. S. G. Weiskotten, President of Synod of New York and New England, and Rev. M. J. Bieber, President of Canada Synod.

By action of your committee and by the appointment of your president, our number has been enlarged from six to twenty, with the intention of further enlargement in order that all sections of the Church may be fully represented. The following laymen make up the present membership of the committee:

N. Y. and N. E. Synod.—Hon. Charles A. Schieren, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. Franklin W. H. Becker, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. Frederick Henrich, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. George D. Boschen, New York City.

Synod of the Northwest.—Hon. C. A. Smith, Minneapolis, Minn.

Chicago Synod.—M. L. Deck, Decatur, Ill.

Ohio Synod.—Charles F. Sprague, Lima, Ohio.

Pittsburgh Synod.—Mr. W. Warren Wattles, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mr. Charles Schimmelfeng, Warren, Pa.

New York Ministerium.—Mr. Martin Wulff, New York City; Mr. Jacob Dangler, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Augustana Synod.—Mr. P. P. Quist, Minneapolis, Minn.; Henry M. Benson, Esq., St. Peter, Minn.; Hon. J. E. Holmberg, Denver, Colorado; J. B. Oakleaf, Esq., Moline, Ill.; Mr. N. N. Nelson, Chicago, Ill.

Ministerium of Pennsylvania.—Hon. Frank N. Riter, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mr. E. Clarence Miller, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mr. W. J. Daub, Easton, Pa.; Mr. William H. Hager, Lancaster, Pa.

We have decided upon and recommended the following general plan:

1st. The amount of the Fund to be raised shall be Two Million Dollars.

2d. The entire Fund shall be used as Endowment, the interest only to be applied as hereafter provided for.

3d. The entire Fund shall be vested in, and controlled by the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

4th. The Fund is to be divided between a Ministerial Pension Fund and a Mission Fund (Home and Foreign) as follows:

(a) The Board of Trustees of the General Council shall receive one-half of all the moneys raised, investing the same and paying the income to the General Council Home Mission Boards, and the General Council Foreign Mission Board, in such proportion as the General Council may from time to time direct.

(b) The other one-half of all moneys raised shall be paid to a Ministerial Pension Board of Trustees to be appointed by the General Council. This Board—subject to the supervision of the General Council,—shall use the income arising from the invested fund and such other money as may from time to time be available, for the relief and support of the clerical members of the General Council and their families.

5th. The plan of organization and work to be along the following lines:

There shall be added to the present committee one or more men from each Conference. The enlarged committee is to organize not later than September, 1914, by the election of a permanent President, Treasurer, and Secretary. These officers to be laymen who will undertake to supervise and manage the collecting organization, which shall be under the direct charge of an Executive Committee conveniently resident near the main office.

From September, 1914, to September, 1915, the educational features of the proposition shall be fully presented. The executive office to be opened in September, 1915.

The first work done after the establishment and equipment of the office is to be the organization of a committee in each Conference to be made up of one or more members from each congregation in the Conference, the chairman of said committee to be the representative of the Conference on the general committee. The chairmen of the Conference are also to organize as a supervising committee in each Synod. Each Conference committee is to have its own treasurer, who shall receive the funds and forward same to the general treasurer.

The active canvass is to begin not later than January, 1916, and to continue until October, 1917, but every Conference will be urged to conduct and complete said canvass within ninety days from January 1st, 1916, allowing the balance of the time for payment of subscriptions. Payment of contributions may be made in installments, but before October, 1917. An effort will be made to secure as many large pledges as possible previous to January 1st, 1916, which shall be announced as the active work begins. A particular effort must be made to get EVERY member of the Lutheran Church, and also every Sunday-school to make a contribution; and to accomplish this, subscription blanks should be printed especially for every congregation, and numbered so that there should be one blank especially numbered for every member of the congregation.

Features in the Campaign should include joint Reformation Services in every city in October, 1916.

The General Treasurer is to be bonded, and as money is received, he shall turn same over to the Trustees of the General Council in amounts of $5,000 each.

Inasmuch as an effort on the part of any of the Synods composing the General Council to raise *Special Funds* would largely interfere with the success of the Jubilee Fund,—agreement should be made with each Synod that no such efforts will be put forth during the period from January, 1916, to October, 1917.

We ask that our committee be given power to modify or change any details of this report without altering the purpose and intent of the general plan.

WM. H. HAGER, *Acting Chairman.*
W. WARREN WATTLES, *Acting Secretary.*

The report was adopted as a whole.

On motion of E. Aug. Miller, Esq., it was

Resolved, That the Jubilee Committee be reappointed with full power to carry into execution the plan recommended to this convention and adopted by it.

While the report was under discussion, the time was extended to 5:30 P. M., and the special order, the Election of Boards, was postponed to 11 A. M., Saturday.

The recommendations were adopted without change, except 4a First, Home Mission "Board" was changed to Home Mission "Boards"; then the reference to the Augustana Synod's work was stricken out; and finally, on motion of the Rev. Dr. E. Belfour, it was

Resolved, That the Porto Rico Mission is included in the department of Home Missions.

These changes are incorporated in the report, which was then adopted as a whole.

Adjourned with the use of the Lord's Prayer.

FOURTH SESSION

Saturday, September 16, 9 a. m.

The Rev. Prof. Luther D. Reed, of the Philadelphia Theological Seminary, conducted the devotional service.

The minutes of the Third Session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. E. Belfour presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE JEWISH MISSION.

The history and condition of the Jewish people in the past and present, and their destiny in the future claim and deserve the serious consideration of the Christian Church. We must never forget that the Jews were the chosen people of God, who, through them, gave to the world the inspired Scriptures, which they transmitted to the time of Christ uncorrupted; that Christ was born of a Jewish virgin; and that "salvation is of the Jews."

These early wards of God have indeed apostatized from the true faith and forsaken the Lord, and they have suffered terribly for their sins; but the evidence is very clear from the Scriptures and from the nature of our holy religion that it is God's will that Israel shall be saved; and that the only agency for the accomplishment of this great work is the Christian Church. And this is proven to be the most difficult task; but the efforts of the past have not been in vain. A very considerable number of Jews are brought into the Church every year. And the translation of the New Testament into Hebrew, by Prof. Delitsch, has been very helpful.

And the times and conditions have changed greatly. A very large proportion of the Jews of the present day have abandoned the leading provisions of the Mosaic Law and the famous or infamous "traditions," the inventions of men, by which, the Saviour declared, they "made the Word of God of none effect," traditions which their older writings affirm are of greater authority and value than the Scriptures. They have thus rejected what formerly held them to their moorings. This vast number of the Jews are now, therefore, without any religion in the true sense of the word, and are rationalists and materialists; and they offer a wide field for real missionary work, as does the whole Orient. And another fact is worthy of note, namely, that many educated Jews in their oral and printed utterances now declare that Jesus was a great and good man. That is at once seen to be inconsistent and absurd in view of their claim that He was an impostor in announcing Himself as the Son of God. But may not the hand of God be in this change of sentiment and in this concession? We need only to compare this with the awful utterances about Jesus found in the Talmud and other ancient Jewish writings as collated in Eisenmenger's "Entdechtes Judenthum."

The fruits of missionary labors among the Jews havs been such as to do honor to the laborers, as said by Dr. F. Delitzsch in 1863; and the pass-

ing years have proven this to be true. The reliable statistics of the Rev. De Le Rois show, that, during the 19th century, 224,000 Jews became members of the Christian Church; and, in our own time, the number annually accepting Christ as the promised Saviour is about 5,000. And, in *Die Welt,* a Zionist paper, it is stated that "names, which once shone brightly in the learned Jewish world now belong to Christendom." There are 99 Jewish Missionary Societies with 614 male and female members, and 222 mission stations. And the Rev. Dr. Ignatz Zalson, a learned Jew, says that the number "passing from the Synagogue to the Church is yearly increasing."

Our own work in this field, in view of the scanty means available, has been very encouraging. Our missionary, the Rev. John Legum, has devoted all his time and strength to his work. He has frequently preached to audiences averaging 100 Jews; and has conducted about 300 Bible studies; 150 Hebrew and Yiddish New Testaments have been distributed; and 50 Bibles in different languages were donated. During the last two years the missionary has come into contact with fully 3,000 inquirers, 1,000 of whom visited him more than once, and 50 became steady pupils, four of whom were baptized. Two of the missionary's former pupils are now preaching the Gospel, one is at college with the ministry in view, and one is already studying for the ministry. During nine months since the last meeting of the General Council, the Rev. P. J. Morentz, a former pupil of our missionary, rendered acceptable service in visiting many of our churches and explaining and commending our mission, but he is now serving as pastor of a congregation.

Whilst we are pleased and encouraged with the progress made in the mission, especially during the past year, we feel that the sphere and resources for the work should be enlarged, and measures taken to interest all our Synods in the important undertaking. At the last meeting of the General Council, it was resolved to appoint the Pittsburgh Synod's Committee on the Jewish mission as its committee. But we feel that something more effectual is necessary, and therefore recommend:

(1) That the General Council shall take this mission fully under its care and control.

(2) That the committee shall be enlarged.

(3) That an apportionment for the support of the work shall be made to the Synods to the amount of $6,000.00.

The whole amount received for the past year was $2,000.37, of which the Pittsburgh Synod appropriated $500.00; and the expenditures were $2,000.25.

The address of the missionary is Rev. John Legum, 408 Logan St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND BELFOUR, *Chairman.*

After a reference of the third item to the Budget Committee, the report was adopted as a whole.

The report on Part IV of the President's Report was considered. See First Session.

PRAYER FOR DEPARTING MISSIONARIES.

At 10 o'clock, the hour of the departure of the Missionaries to India from the port of New York, business was suspended, and the Council arose and engaged in silent prayer that God would protect them in all their ways.

The Rev. C. Reinhold Tappert presented the

REPORT OF GERMAN HOME MISSION BOARD.

Again the time has come for the General Council to survey the work carried on in its name, and to plan for future undertakings. We hear and heed the command, "Give an account of thy stewardship." Precious has been the trust committed to our care. The responsibility has been keenly felt, and earnestly have we endeavored to be faithful to our charge. What our task has been, what efforts were made to execute our commission, and what results have been accomplished, the following report will reveal.

THE WORK.

It is at present a universally conceded fact, that in the western provinces of Canada a new empire is in process of formation. Immigrants from Russia, Austria, the German Empire, the States, and the older provinces of Canada, flock to this new El Dorado in ever-increasing numbers. A considerable percentage of the Russian and Austrian immigrants are German Lutherans. Our fellow-believers, crossing the border from the United States, come largely from congregations connected with synods of the General Council or friendly bodies, such as the Iowa Synod; while the Lutherans moving westward from the older provinces of Canada, are almost without exception reared in General Council churches and schools. To gather these children of our Church, scattered over a vast territory, to organize them into congregations, and to provide them with the means of grace, *this is our task.*

Surely it is the Lord's work, and therefore its success is as certain as the promises of a faithful God can make it. And just as surely it is also *our* work, for these people are of our own household of faith and *we were called to this task,* not only by a general, but also by a special vocation. We were first in the field. We have done the foundation work. We have borne the burden and heat of the day, and it is with all good conscience, therefore, that we say, "J'y suis et j'y reste!" and maintain our ground, in spite of all intruders, who, in their misdirected zeal, would fain drive us out of our own churches and parsonages by hook or by crook.

We lost to the Ohio Synod, Fairy Hill, Sask., and Waldheim, Alta. Four parishes, being too extensive for proper pastoral care, have been

divided. New missions were started in Morinville and Entwistle, Alta., Hedersford and Saskatoon, Sask., Transcana, Man., Emerson, Woodbridge, and Friedensfeld, Man. The congregation at Vereth, Sask., formerly served by Rev. P. Tourney, returned to us. A congregation of Austrian Germans at Kennell, Sask., extended a call to one of our missionaries, and the congregation at Russell, Man., consisting of German and Polish-speaking Lutherans, hitherto temporarily served by Rev. G. Lehmann and A. Leonhardi, received a pastor, able to minister to them in both languages. This may not seem like a great showing for two years of hard labor, but we beg the churches to have patience. The Kingdom of God is like a grain of mustard seed, and not like a stick of dynamite. Its progress, therefore, is not in spectacular leaps and bounds, but quiet and slow, yea, imperceptible at times to human eyes. Nevertheless, the Kingdom grows day and night, we know not how.

THE MEN.

The newspapers are prophesying a wonderful harvest in western Canada; 200,000,000 bushels of wheat are ripening in the fields, and it will take more than 162,000 farm hands to garner the golden treasures of this virgin soil. Of these only 112,000 are available, more than 50,000 hands will have to be imported. This illustrates our own predicament. In a spiritual sense also "the harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few," and the admonition to the Church still holds good, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into the harvest." During this biennium the pastors, Ph. Pascha, E. Herzog, R. Hauptmann, P. Peter, W. Wuestenberg, F. Loeb, and B. Weywara, resigned their charges. Two of these had been in our service only for a few months. The agreement with Kropp bore good fruit in so far, as we had no difficulty in securing the candidates coming from this institution for our work. Unfortunately the classes were not large. Of last year's graduates we received only five,—G. Poetzsch, G. Juettner, A. Leonhardi, E. Herzog and W. Wuestenberg. The latter resigned, as he could not adapt himself to the work and the conditions of our field. Rev. E. Herzog broke down under the hardships connected with serving his large and extended parish (five congregations). His delicate physical condition has compelled him to leave the field before another winter sets in. In him we lose an able and conscientious worker.

Of this year's class we received thus far only three candidates, A. Koehler, K. Kleiner and N. Jepsen. Two more are expected. Several of this year's graduates are compelled to serve their year as soldiers in the German army. The urgent need in the field moved the Kropp Commission, although reluctantly, to excuse these men from attending a special course at Mt. Airy, provided for in the articles of agreement with Kropp. The Canada Synod gave us a very able worker in the person of Rev. J. Masuhr. His charge, Ellerslie, Alta., is now self-supporting. Pastor F. W. Klein, formerly of the Iowa Synod, who had been working for some time at Calgary, Sask., as a missionary of Ohio, was received into the Manitoba Syn-

od at its last meeting in July. He is now laboring at our new mission station, Saskatoon.

In our predicament we regarded it a special Godsend, when an opportunity offered itself to add two more missionaries to our staff, namely, Pastors F. Restan and F. Ewald. For four years they had been serving as parish adjuncts in the Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in Galicia, Austria. While preparing for a pastorate in America at Wittenberg College in Springfield, Ohio, they became interested in our work, and offered their services. They were examined and ordained, in behalf of the Board, by a special committee.

A very important acquisition was made in the person of Rev. E. Knappe, superintendent of an Orphans' Home at Waverly, Iowa. He accepted a call extended to him by the Board, to serve in the double capacity of field missionary and mission superintendent, at a salary of $1,200. Having had nine years' experience as field missionary of the Iowa Synod in Oregon and Washington, he should possess the necessary qualifications for his difficult and reponsible office. Rev. Mr. Knappe assumed his duties last May and has already made a good start in his work.

There are several reasons why pastors are loath to enter our service.

1. The remoteness of the field. Many have an idea that they would feel quite out of the world, lost and God-forsaken in that distant region near the North Pole, thousands of miles away from their friends.

2. The extreme severity of the climate. It takes a robust constitution to endure long rides in a fierce gale at a temperature of 30 to 50 degrees below zero.

3. The lack of nearly all the accustomed conveniences and comforts of life. Most of us have not the remotest idea how primitive the surroundings of a missionary are in the new settlements of our pioneer farmers, and how frugal the manner of living is which he has to adopt.

Still there have been, and will be, men with the spirit of a William Carey, who, setting out for India, called to his friends,

"I'll go down into the pit, if you'll hold the rope."

THE MEANS.

Holding the rope is the business of the home-Church. Although we are deeply grateful for the generous response our appeals have met with, we must regret that we have not received the full appropriation asked for and granted by the General Council. If, nevertheless, we managed to pull through without a deficit, it was because we did not have the full force of missionaries working; one or the other church, sometimes two or three at a time, were vacant. And all our missionaries are underpaid. Their scant income hardly enables them to make both ends meet. It does not suffice for a comfortable living. Indeed, so close is the margin, that as soon as any little unforeseen expense occurs, be it that the sleigh or carriage needs repairing, or the horse breaks the harness, or sickness sets in, petition must be made for an advance on the salary, which procedure of course necessitates even greater economy in the following quarter. We

ought to place our missionaries on the same level with the emissaries of other synods, as far as salary is concerned, not in order to remove temptation,—for we may trust our missionaries, their loyalty is above suspicion,—but for the sake of justice. "The laborer is worthy of his hire." A comparison with last year's statistics will show that we have 12 more men in the work than two years ago. We must also provide for the natural growth of the work in the coming biennium and our field missionary has no income aside from our support. The Rev. F. Bredlow, incapacitated by ill health and old age, has retired from active service, for the time being at least. As he has spent his energies in self-denying work for the sake of Christ and His Church, the Board will have to grant a small pension to this worthy father. To meet all these obligations, we respectfully request the General Council to increase the appropriation for the German Home Mission work by the amount of $1,000 a year, and earnestly beg the churches to remember our needs. We cannot urge the brethren to venture into the pit and then let go of the rope!

Special attention should be called to our building fund. The treasurer's report will show a balance of $813.72 in the fund. But all of this has already been promised to four different congregations planning the erection of three parsonages and a church. We should by all means secure building lots at once for a church at one of our most important stations, where the value of real estate is rising rapidly, and our treasury is practically empty. We cannot compete with rival synods, in the way in which they encourage congregations, by offering liberal loans toward the acquisition of suitable property. We would, therefore, bring this state of affairs to the attention of our wealthy friends.

"If you cannot be the watchman,
Standing high on Zion's wall,
Pointing out the path to heaven,
Offering life and peace to all;
With your prayers and with your bounties
You can do what Heaven demands,
You can be like faithful Aaron,
Holding up the prophet's hands."

THE COLLEGE PROJECT.

The project of founding a college in Western Canada has not been downed by the remote prospects of this plan, ever becoming realized. Indeed, so manifest is the need and usefulness of such an institution that the Board could not but encourage the brethren of the Manitoba Synod to go ahead and take the preliminary steps, even though we could not promise any financial support. At its late meeting in Winnipeg the synod created an agitation committee. There seems only one way leading to the ultimate realization of this long cherished "desiderium," the path of perseverance. The example of that Chinese woman who was found rubbing a crowbar on a stone, and, when asked the meaning of this strange procedure, answered she wanted a needle, and thought, she would rub down the

crowbar till she got it small enough, may well serve to encourage the brethren, if they should become disheartened by the difficulties in their way. It is good policy to strike while the iron is hot, but even better is that perseverance, which can make the iron hot by striking.

ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

Several changes have taken place in our mission field along the coast. Rev. B. Merz, of Macksburg, Ore., received and accepted a call to Neudorf, Sask. Rev. W. R. M. Oeser, of Philadelphia, became his successor. Rev. M. Markert resigned at Medford, Ore., on account of ill health. Rev. C. Wilker, of Toledo, Ohio, filled the vacancy. The parish of Bellingham, Wash., was transferred to us by the Mission Board of the Iowa Synod. Rev. G. Wenning is the pastor. Three congregations and a preaching station belong to this parish. The two churches of Bellingham own considerable property. There are great opportunities for expansion also in this field, but the scarcity of suitable men and the low ebb in the treasury restrain us from more vigorously pushing the work.

THE BOARD.

The Board has been incomplete during this whole term as Mr. Dangler, who had been elected a member, found it necessary, under the pressure of other duties, to decline accepting this additional burden. Again we lament the loss of one of our most efficient co-workers, Rev. J. Nicum, D.D., who died at Rochester, November 1, 1909. With his splendid gifts and his keen application to business and study he was able to render many a valuable service to the cause. He served as secretary of the board from September 27, 1882, to October 24, 1893, when he was elected president and filled this position until November 2, 1897. He was also the editor of *Siloah* for a number of years.

He showed his favor and appreciation of the German Home Mission work by remembering it generously in his will. "Requiescat in pace, et lux aeterna luceat ei." To fill the vacancy caused by Dr. Nicum's death, Rev. Ph. Kirchner, of Reading, Pa., the faithful business agent of our mission paper *Siloah* was nominated by your president, and elected by the Board.

RETROSPECT AND CONCLUSION.

Reviewing our experiences of the past two years we must exclaim: "Lord, we are not worthy of the least of all the mercies which Thou hast shewed unto Thy servants." Even considering the difficulties we had, there was "the soul of goodness in things evil." Men are not apt to fall asleep in the fire or in the water, but grow drowsy in the sunshine. Therefore instead of murmuring and complaining at our trials and tribulations, we should thank God for allowing our enemies to keep us wide awake. Meanwhile our work has prospered and grown and, as our newly-appointed field missionary writes: "This is but the beginning." Let us "attempt great things" for God, and we may "expect great things" from

Him. With St. Paul we may exclaim: "A great door and effectual is opened unto me." "Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and confirm the feeble knees."

"Come, labor on:
Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain,
While all around him waves the golden grain,
And every servant hears the Master say,
'Go, work today?'

"Come, labor on:
The laborers are few, the field is wide,
New stations must be filled, and blanks supplied,
From voices distant far, or near at home,
The call is 'Come.'

"Come, labor on:
No time for rest, till glows the western sky,
While the long shadows o'er our pathway lie,
And a glad sound comes with the setting sun,
'Servant, well done!'

"Come, labor on:
The toil is pleasant, the reward is sure;
Blessed are those who to the end endure;
How full their joy, how deep their rest shall be,
O Lord, with Thee!"

C. Reinhold Tappert, *President.*

SUMMARY.

Brief summary of the report of the German Home Mission Board, indicating the items which require action.

1. As nothing has been more fatal to the condition and progress of our work than the inability to supply our vacancies promptly, thus causing us to lose to another Synod what we had been building up at a great sacrifice in money and labor, we would earnestly beseech the General Council not to adopt any measure restricting the power of discretion given the Kropp Commission in the articles of agreement, Section I, No. 4.

2. As the amount of contributions hitherto received will not suffice to meet our increasing obligations in the future, and as the meagerness of funds, necessitating excessive economy, has proved a great hindrance to the successful discharge of our duties, the Board begs again:

(a) That the German Home Mission work be recommended to our Synods for future support.

(b) That the appropriations for our work be increased from $10,000 to $11,000 per annum.

(c) That the amounts be apportioned to our different Synods.

(d) That the attention of the wealthy members of the Church be directed to our building fund.

C. R. Tappert.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GERMAN HOME MISSIONS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1909, TO AUGUST 1, 1911.

I. MISSION ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

Balance in Treasury September 1, 1909		$ 1,140 86
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$7,611 85	
Ministerium of New York	$2,570 15	
Canada Synod	1,008 40	
Pittsburgh Synod	211 80	
Pacific Synod	169 20	
District Synod of Ohio	42 60	
Mission Congregations	341 47	
"Christopfer" and "Passionsopfer"	205 70	
Other Contributions	657 31	
Interest from Bank	76 81	
		$12,895 29
Total		$14,036 15

Disbursements.

Missionaries' Salaries in Canada	$7,778 07	
Missionaries' Salaries in Oregon	1,425 00	
Missionaries' Salaries in Washington	427 50	
Missionaries' Salaries in Dakota	412 50	
Missionaries' Salaries in California	400 00	
Missionaries' Salaries in Kentucky	200 00	
		$10,643 07
Traveling Expenses of Missionaries	$ 724 70	
Traveling Expenses of Members of the Board	260 28	
		$ 984.98
Special Appropriations to Missionaries		350 00
Nicum Legacy Legal Expenses		267.85
Loan to a Missionary		100 00
Printing, Telegrams, Postage, etc.		115 22
Total		$12,461.12
Balance in Mission Account, August 1, 1911		1,575 03
		$14,036 15

II. CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Receipts.

Balance in Treasury September 1, 1909	$ 813 72
Return of Loan from St. John's, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada	300 00
Total	$1,113 72

Disbursements.

Loan to St. John's, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada	300 00
Balance in Treasury August 1, 1911	813 72
Total	$1,113 72

III. SILOAH ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

Balance in Treasury September 1, 1909	$ 47 46
Subscriptions	1,101 40
Total	$1,148 86

Disbursements.

Printing and Mailing	$ 967 50
Cuts	5 10
Total	$ 972 60
Balance in Treasury August 1, 1911	176 26
Total	$1,148 86

Respectfully submitted,

H. D. E. SIEBOTT, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, Pa., August 1, 1911.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The undersigned, having carefully examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Board of German Home Missions of the General Council, find the same correct, and in accordance with the above report.

GEORGE S. OPP.

Philadelphia, Pa., September 1, 1911.

ACTION ON GERMAN HOME MISSIONS.

Item 1 was deferred until the Report of the Kropp Commission is considered.

Items 2b and 2c were referred to the Budget Committee. Items 2a and 2d were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Kunzmann, it was

Resolved, That the German Home Mission Board be asked to use some season of the Church Year for the collection of a Building Fund for its own work, and to prepare receptacles for the gathering of such funds.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. J. Fry, it was

Resolved, That the Board be allowed to select its own season for this collection.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. E. Knappe, Field Missionary of the Manitoba Synod, be granted the floor.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Berkemeier, it was

Resolved, That the paragraph relating to the inroads of the Ohio Synod be referred to the Arbitration Committee.

The report was then adopted as a whole.

Unfavorable weather preventing the excursion of the afternoon, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the Council adjourn at 12 noon and convene at 2 p. m.

The Rev. A. Appell presented the

NOMINATIONS FOR GENERAL COUNCIL BOARDS.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Jacobs, it was

Resolved, That the names of the nominees be printed, and that the election be by ballot.

On motion of the Rev. I. C. Hoffmann, it was

Resolved, That opportunity be given after each set of nominations for nominations from the floor.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stump, it was

Resolved, That the ballots indicate which persons are nominated by the committee, and which are now serving on the boards.

The President appointed the following

Committee to Nominate the German Home Mission Board.—The Revs. Dr. H. Offermann, F. H. Bosch, Dr. C. T. Benze, Messrs. Martin Wulff and J. A. Prigge.

This report and all others were, together with nominations made on the floor, incorporated in a printed ballot.

Mr. William H. Hager presented the

REPORT OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Budget beg leave to present the following report. After hearing the several requests of the Boards on apportionment, we recommend as follows: Foreign Mission Board apportionment to be pro rated between the Synods as presented by this Board, $75,000 per annum, or $150,000 for the biennium. English Home Mission Board apportionment to be pro rated between the Synods as presented by this Board, $62,000 per annum, or $124,000 for the biennium. We also

recommend that they be allowed to raise an outside Fund of $60,000 per annum, or $120,000 for the biennium for an aggressive field missionary force for the United States and Canada. The German Home Mission Board to be pro rated between the Synods as presented by this Board, $11,000 per annum, or $22,000 for the biennium. Porto Rico Mission Board apportionment to be pro rated between the Synods as presented by this Board, $16,500 per annum, or $33,000 for the biennium. Slovak Home Mission Board apportionment to be pro rated between the Synods as presented by this Board, $10,000 per annum, or $20,000 for the biennium. Apportionment for the Jewish Mission, $3,000 per annum, or $6,000 for the biennium. The apportionment to the various Synods to be recommended to the Board by the Committee in charge of this Mission. We also recommend an apportionment for University Student Work of $3,500 per annum, or $7,000 for the biennium, the same to be apportioned to the following Synods as follows: Ministerium of Pennsylvania, $750.00; Augustana Synod, $750.00; New York Ministerium, $300.00; N. Y. and N. E. Synod, $400.00; Pittsburgh Synod, $400.00; Chicago Synod, $300.00; District Synod of Ohio, $300.00; Synod of Northwest, $300.00.

We also recommend that the treasurers of all these Boards be instructed to present their reports in the future, itemizing total amount of receipts from each Synod, as the Foreign and Home Mission Boards are doing. We further recommend that the Finance Committee be given the duties of the Budget work in order that this work can be taken up and probably completed in advance of the meeting of the General Council.

WM. H. HAGER, *Chairman.*
FRED C. HASSOLD,
WM. P. M. BRAUN,
FRANK M. RITER,
JAS. M. SNYDER.

At the Fifth Session it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the Report of the Budget Committee be adopted, and that it be given authority to insert the German Home Mission appropriation.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the President be authorized to appoint the committee at his leisure and discretion.

The President appointed the following

Committee to Nominate Official Visitors.—The Revs. Dr. C. T. Benze, E. F. Keever, and Geo. F. Greiner, Esq.

Adjourned with the use of the Lord's Prayer.

FIFTH SESSION.

Saturday, September 16, 2 p. m.

The Rev. W. H. Fehr, of Harrisburg, Pa., conducted the devotional service.

The minutes of the Fourth Session were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Budget was adopted as a whole. See Fourth Session.

The Rev. Dr. H. Offermann presented the nominations for the German Home Mission Board.

Rev. Dr. Spieker presented the Report on the Rules and Regulations of the English Home Mission Board. See Second Session.

The President appointed the following

Committee to Nominate the Board of Immigrant Missions.—Revs. G. C. Fischer, F. H. Bosch, C. H. Wasmund, Messrs. W. P. M. Braun, and F. C. Hassold.

REPORTS OF OFFICIAL VISITORS.

The English Recording Secretary read the

REPORT OF OFFICIAL VISITOR TO THE UNITED SYNOD OF THE SOUTH.

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America:

Named at your Minneapolis convention as your "Official Visitor" to the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the South, the undersigned attended the twelfth convention of that body, held in the First English Lutheran Church, Richmond, Va., Sept. 6-11, 1910.

A most kindly and cordial reception made me realize the reality and the strength of the bonds that link these two bodies in a unity more real than sometimes obtains where organic union is found. Again and again, as a result of the formal discussions on the floor of the convention, or of the pleasant personal intercourse had with members of the body or with unattached attendants upon the meeting, I was impressed by the thought, "All we are brethren," and was led to believe that as we are now one in the faith and one in certain spheres of activity, so we may come to be in the future one in purpose and effort and achievement in the kingdom to a degree that will result in the mutual strengthening and advantage of the two bodies and in extending the kingdom of God in the earth to the glory of our Lord and of His Christ.

These impressions were in no wise lessened by the temper in which the convention received the greeting which I had the honor to bear to it from the General Council.

In delivering that greeting my introductory remarks cited with all emphasis the unity of the faith of the two bodies as evidenced by the formal and solemn declaration of its confessional basis by each. The body of my address bore upon the several lines along which there has been in the past and should continue to be in the future a hearty cooperation by the two bodies, each unhampered in meeting and caring for its own peculiar needs and both joining wherever possible in such lines of action as will best further the fruitfulness of the Church's labors and undertakings.

Especial emphasis was laid upon the subject of a common hymnal with music, such a work having been prepared for publication and the publication being eagerly desired by many of the delegates. In view of the action of the General Council at Minneapolis with reference to an English Service and Hymn Book, in the preparation of which the cooperation of other committees of the joint committee should be invited, I argued as urgently as possible under the circumstances in favor of such cooperation. The publication of the book prepared by the committee of the United Synod was, in view of the action of the General Council, "deferred at least until the next meeting of the United Synod."

Another line of possible cooperation, in which it was pointed out by your speaker that the General Council has made very much progress and achieved notable results, was recognized by a recommendation of the Board of Publication, which was adopted, to wit: "That the United Synod appoint a committee to confer with similar committees or boards of other Lutheran bodies with a view to preparing a series of Common Sunday-school helps for Lutheran Sunday-schools."

The various and varied practical activities of the Synod, its Boards and Institutions, all evidence a healthful condition, the several reports showing successful effort and marked progress in every instance.

The Rev. M. M. Kinard, Ph.D., with the Rev. S. S. Rahn, D.D., since deceased, as alternate, was elected as Official Visitor to this convention of the General Council.

The next convention of the United Synod will be held in the Church of the Redeemer, Atlanta, Ga., Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1912.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED RAMSEY.

The Rev. Dr. Berkemeier read the

REPORT OF THE OFFICIAL VISITOR TO THE IOWA SYNOD.

On account of the sudden illness and breakdown of the Rev. Dr. Spaeth, the regularly appointed Visitor of the General Council to the Synod of Iowa, the duty of that office was assigned to his alternate, the undersigned.

Dr. Spaeth was from the beginning of the General Council one of the staunchest friends of the Iowa Synod, and a frequent visitor to its Con-

ventions. It may not be without interest to state, that Dr. Spaeth was exceedingly anxious to attend the meeting of the Iowa brethren and had made every preparation to do so, when he was suddenly taken ill. He sent, however, a very kind letter expressing his regrets and conveying hearty greetings. This letter was read at the Iowa Synod in the presence of his alternate on the day of his death, Saturday, June 25th, 1910. On the following Sunday we received a telegram announcing the sad news of his death. We had to leave abruptly the meeting of the Iowa brethren in order to attend the funeral of our lamented Dr. Spaeth, consequently could only attend the sessions on Friday and Saturday, and will not be able to report much of the business, but after having made a few preliminary notes on the meeting, will speak more particularly of the relation of the Iowa Synod to the General Council.

The meeting took place June 23-27, 1910, at Waverly, Iowa, a historical stronghold of the Iowa Synod, the former residence of its late President, Rev. Dr. J. Doindoerfer, and the location of several of its flourishing institutions,—the Teacher's College and the Orphans' Home.

Certain points of contrast with the General Council are worthy of record. In the General Council the delegates are largely composed of those who were members of former conventions. In the Iowa Synod, the provision made for the payment of the traveling expenses of all the delegates from the general treasury on a basis of an apportionment to the churches, results in a rotation in the personnel of the delegations. There were 92 clerical and 43 lay delegates on the roll and 83 on the guest list. The entire Synod consists of 500 ministers, 940 congregations, and 31,340 voting members, 106,593 communicants and 174,363 souls.

The Iowa Synod is especially noted for its missionary zeal and enterprise. It has 201 mission congregations and raises annually the sum of $13,000 for Home Mission Work. It has a Church Building Fund with a capital of about $20,000. Also a "Emeriten" Fund, with $23,000.

Although the Iowa Synod has the reputation of being the most thorough German of all our Lutheran Synods, still the English work has been taken up and is being carried on most strenuously in all parts of the Synod.

On Friday afternoon it was the privilege of your Visitor to convey the greetings of your body to the Iowa brethren in a formal address. At the suggestion of your President that part of the address, bearing on the relations of the two Church bodies is herewith incorporated into the report:

Words of Greeting to the Iowa Synod referring to the Relations of the two Church Bodies.

"We of the General Council feel perfectly at home among the brethren of the Iowa Synod. There is every reason for this intimacy of our mutual relations. The fathers of our General Council and the fathers of your venerable Synod were united by bonds of tender love and lasting friendship. Your esteemed delegate, Rev. Carl Proehl, spoke of this at our last Convention at Minneapolis, and, more than that, he bore testimony of our unity in faith and doctrine and spirit and expressed a desire for closer union and a more hearty cooperation. We of the General

Council and you of the Iowa Synod have always advocated union in the abstract and avoided it in the concrete. We continually bow to each other, but we do not shake hands. So much has been said and written concerning the friendship between the General Council and the Iowa Synod—in truth a wonderful friendship: so ardent and yet so timid, so enthusiastic and yet so cautious. Here we live and work in our own great America, live so close together that we can hardly escape each other, —and yet almost die in the desire for one another; we continually come in contact with each other and yet cannot find each other. We hunger for Church union and notwithstanding we prefer isolation. For several decades we have been yearning to come together, but with eagerly outstretched arms we avoid one another. We declare for a common cause, but each one endeavors to remain carefully for himself. We live in distinctly separated boundaries, and, when we confer with each other, then it is by diplomatic negotiations, as foreign cabinets negotiate with each other.

"At the same time we are convinced that there really are no difficulties, at least certainly no insurmountable difficulties in the way of a unification of our forces. It was your own delegate who publicly declared at the Convention of the General Council at Minneapolis that the Iowa Synod considered the General Council as the hope for the unification of all true Lutherans of the country, a union on sound doctrinal basis, in true ecumenical spirit, evangelical not legalistic, united under the banner of the cross; a federation which preserves the principle of unity and at the same time safeguards the preservation of individuality. Brethren of the Iowa Synod, towards whom our hearts have yearned only the more fondly as we have seen misrepresentations breeding doubts, coldness, distrust, we must not continue to stand aloof from each other in the great work of our Lord. The Church demands our unity. Souls that are perishing cry out for it. We must stand together! The worst of heresies is hard, suspicious and unloving hearts among those that should be brethren!"

The sentiments which I have expressed agree so fully with those of your worthy President, the Rev. Dr. F. Richter, as he made them known only recently in a very significant article in your official organ (of which he is the editor) the *Kirchenblatt.* To substantiate my assertion I quote only a part of the article:

"'Those Luther Synods and Bodies that stand on the same doctrinal and confessional basis should feel impelled by the necessity of the day not to treat each other in a cold, indifferent, and repulsive manner, but should extend to each other the brotherly hand, and encourage and strengthen each other in the prosecution of the great work which in the providence of God has been assigned to the Lutheran Church in this country. Neither the difference of language nor the peculiar historical developments, neither individual cases of weakness in life, nor inconsistencies in practice can be looked upon as sufficient reason for denying the brotherly hand to those who earnestly endeavor to build up one Lutheran Church on the basis of a common confession. Rather should we,

who have to combat with much weakness and infidelity in our midst, feel constrained to bear others in patience and rather help and assist others, as we expect them to help and assist us. Only in such cases, where the teachings of the Gospel, as contained in the confessions of our Church, are adulterated, denied, and refused acceptance, or where false doctrine is permitted, can there be no possibility of a union, but should testimony be borne of evangelical truth against error in order to reclaim erring brethren. That will avail more than bitter contentions, and in this way God will open a way for a closer union. Wherever there is a possibility of mutual recognition on the basis of a common faith and doctrine, it is the solemn duty to give such recognition, and it would be wrong to withhold it on account of other considerations or circumstances. Our present time demands such brotherly union more than any other time before. The Synods are in closer relation, and the difficulty of language ceases more and more as the English language increasingly becomes the medium of a common communication. But, more than that, the necessity of the present situation demands it,—the necessity of an awakened conscience, which takes offence at the manifold divisions: the necessity of the work, as by unified forces much energy would be saved; the necessity of our people, which should be edified by the Gospel of a united Lutherdom.'"

This message was received with the closest attention and in the best spirit. As far as your Visitor can judge a sincere desire pervaded the assembly to be on the best of terms with the General Council.

The following action is respectfully recommended: *Resolved,* That an Official Visitor be appointed to the next meeting of the Iowa Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. Berkemeier.

REPORT OF THE OFFICIAL VISITOR TO THE ICELANDIC SYNOD.

At the last meeting of the General Council, it will be remembered that the President of the Icelandic Synod, the Rev. B. B. Jonsson, who was present as official visitor to this body, made an earnest appeal that the General Council should be represented at the Convention of his Synod, to be held in June, 1910, in Winnipeg, Manitoba. It was to be the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of its organization. In view also of the fact that the Synod had been disturbed by the introduction of erroneous doctrine into some of its congregations and by a serious discussion resulting from this source, the General Council was asked to make a special effort to show its sympathy and to give the Synod its moral support. The President of the General Council was duly appointed the official visitor, and the undersigned, the alternate.

As your President found it impossible to be present, the undersigned, having previously attended the meeting of the Augustana Synod at Rock Island, Ill, as representative of the Ministerium of Pennslyvania, fulfilled the duty to which he was called. He found the Synod in session in the largest Icelandic church in the world, that of which the Rev. J.

Bjarnason, D.D., is pastor. There were 12 pastors and 43 lay delegates present, every congregation being entitled to representation, and the larger congregations to more than one delegate. The proceedings were conducted entirely in the Icelandic language and were distinguished by animated discussions in which the lay delegates seem to take as active a part as the pastors. The strength of the Synod lies in Manitoba, with a considerable representation in North Dakota, and a constituency of active, intelligent and thrifty people whose influence in the communities where they live has become very marked.

Your delegate was received with great cordiality, and, at the request of the Synod, spoke at length concerning the attitude of the General Council on the questions that had been agitating the Synod. He was assured of the cordial feeling of the Synod towards the Council, and of the desire of its members of an ultimate union with this Body, if this can be attained. Its students of theology are in the Chicago Seminary. At this meeting, it was resolved to cooperate in the Foreign Mission work of the General Council by assuring the support of one of the women in our force in India, and by educating one of the young men of the Synod to become a missionary under the care of our Board.

As the Icelandic Synod has turned towards us, its advance should be met with hearty support. It is maintaining the confessional principle in a most important struggle. It will be greatly to its disadvantage to stand alone. It is composed of elements that can exert a most important influence upon the development of the entire Church, if it be brought into organic union with the General Council. Above all things, in the opinion of your visitor, the Lutheran elements in Northern Canada need an educational institution as the center of their activity. If such institution were at Winnipeg, it would prevent, to a considerable extent, the entrance of sceptical and irreligious influences, that now come from secular institutions and from those of other denominations, and would centralize and intensify the Lutheran feeling, which is being dissipated by the division of our students in various directions. We were informed that during the preceding year, no less than forty Icelandic students were in attendance at the various colleges of Winnipeg. If the scope of such institution, could be extended to embrace Lutherans of other nationalities also, a great field would open here for the General Council.

We recommend that the General Council send an official visitor to every meeting of the Icelandic Synod, in order to maintain with it as close a connection as possible, and to give it encouragement in its important work. It may not be out of place to refer to two articles in "The Lutheran Church Review" for January, 1911, on "The Icelandic Lutheran Church," and "Western Canada and the Lutheran Church," in which fuller reports may be found of our observations in discharge of the commission entrusted us by your appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY E. JACOBS.

These various reports were accepted and ordered to be spread on the Minutes. See also page 242.

The Rev. Dr. Belfour presented the Report on President's Report, Part III, on The Hand of Death. See First Session.

The Auditing Committee to audit the Treasurer's Report, reported all correct. See First Session.

The Rev. Dr. F. K. Fretz, Secretary, presented the

REPORT OF THE INNER MISSION COMMITTEE.

(a.) *Inner Mission Education.*

The past biennium has witnessed substantial progress in those forms of Inner Mission activity whose interests this committee is especially charged to promote. The work of the committee has been chiefly confined to the sphere of education. It has endeavored to keep this important branch of Christian activity before the Church by encouraging the discussion of certain theses prepared by the Rev. Dr. Ohl, and the holding of Inner Mission institutes. In this, the two branches of Eastern and Western Pennsylvania of our general committee have been especially active. In the Pittsburgh Synod and the Pennsylvania Ministerium, Dr. Ohl's propositions were made a part of the program at quite a number of the conference meetings, and were discussed with great profit. In the hope that these theses may receive the attention they deserve in other sections of the General Council, they are embodied in this report, and are herewith printed for information.

PROPOSITIONS ON THE INNER MISSION.

"The Inner Mission is the unfolding and active exercise of the faith and vital powers of the entire body of believers in the Church, in the State, and in all forms of social life, for the conquest of everything un-Christian and anti-Christian, that seeks or has found a place in the home or community, in usages and laws, in science and art, in all the departments of the material and spiritual life of the masses and of the nations within Christendom." "It has for its purpose the relief of spiritual and physical needs by means of the preached Word and the ministrations of Christian love, and, in the power of the love begotten of faith, to bring about the internal and external renewal of the masses within Christendom who have fallen under the dominion and rule of those evils that spring directly and indirectly from sin, and who are not reached, as for their Christian renewal that ought to be by the established officers of the Church. It does not overlook any internal or external need, the relief of which can be made an object of Christian love." (Wichern's "Denkschrift," and Art. I of the Statutes of the Central Committee for the Inner Mission of the German Evangelical Church.)

I.

The foregoing statements resolve themselves into the following propositions:

a. The Inner Mission in its genuine manifestation is a product of that faith which worketh by love. Whatever is not undertaken in this spirit (e. g. purely sociological and humanitarian labor) is not Inner Mission. Hence

b. Only those animated by a living faith can successfully engage in Inner Mission work.

c. In contradistinction from those who would bring about the renewal of the individual and of society by external and mechanical means, the Inner Mission regards sin as the fundamental error to be overcome in both, and hence seeks to alleviate external distress by relieving the internal necessity.

d. The means whereby it would accomplish the latter is the *Word*. To this it adds the *Work*. Whilst the latter may often predominate it must never be regarded as an end in itself, but only as a means to an end. Hence

e. It is a mistake to regard the Inner Mission only in the light of a diaconal activity. It is both evangelistic and diaconal, i. e., it *combines* the communication of the Word and the ministrations of Christian love, so that these interpenetrate one another.

f. The Inner Mission seeks to serve the entire mass of society, and not merely a class.

"In defining the sphere of the Inner Mission it is a grave error to assume that it has in view only the saving of the poor and illiterate; the richest and most cultured equally need this" (Wichern).

g. Though often extra-official, the Inner Mission is not to be regarded as an extra-ecclesiastical but as an intra-ecclesiastical activity, carried on by the living members of the Body of Christ.

II.

a. The Inner Mission finds its warrant in the precepts and example of Christ and the practice of the early Church.

"It is the continuation or resumption in the Christian world of the original form of missionating, for the purpose of overcoming in said world the Judaism and heathenism that still remain or have again become powerful within it" (Wichern); the former to be understood in the sense of the self-righteousness that possesses many; the latter in the sense of the indifference, unbelief and appalling sins by which tens of thousands are held in bondage.

b. Christ's concern for those whom He came to seek and to save went beyond their purely spiritual needs. Recognizing the close connection between sin and human misery (Matt. 9:1-8), men's temporal and physical needs also appealed to Him. Hence His preaching and teaching were throughout His ministry accompanied by works of mercy (Matt. 4:23; 9: 35; Mark 1: 39-42; 6:34ff. *et al.*). Nevertheless His evident purpose in so closely combining the Word and the Work was to make the latter serve the former. "Believe me" i. e., my words, "that I am in the Father, and the Father in me; or else believe me *for the very works' sake*" (John 14:11).

c. Jesus Himself expressed the ultimate purpose of all His works of mercy when He said, as He healed the man who was born blind: "Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents; but *that the works of God should be made manifest in him*" (John 9:3). These works were to be the proof that the kingdom of God had come indeed, that He was now present in the world who "was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil," and that, therefore, men ought to believe in Him (Luke 11:20-22; 1 John 3:8; John 10:37, 38). For the same reason those who were sent out to plant the Church were commissioned not only to preach the Gospel, but also to show by works of mercy that the kingdom of God was come nigh (Mark 3:14, 15; 6:12, 13; Luke 9: 2-6; 10:1, 9, 10, 11). Thus it came that the service of love and mercy, in demonstration of the Gospel's power, was the special characteristic of the first Christians, and a most powerful factor in the conquest of the heathen world.

"The Church, born of love, and living in love, was the appropriate organ for the practice of love. It interested itself first in those of its own members who needed help in any way, then it went beyond them to embrace in its love those who stood without. For these were to be won to the Church. Love worked in a missionary way. It excluded none, as the grace which kindled it excluded no one, not even enemies and persecutors. . . . The heathen recognized this sign. With amazement they gazed upon this new strange life of love, and it is not too much to say that the victory of the Church, like that of her Lord, was a victory of ministering love" (Uhlhorn).

d. Like her Lord, who came "not to be ministered unto but to minister" (Matt. 20:28), so the Church of today must add to the faithful preaching and teaching of the Word as the supreme redemptive means, the works of Christian mercy, to demonstrate that Christ still lives in His people, and thus to guard and preserve not only her own, but also to win those that have gone astray and those that stand aloof.

III.

The Inner Mission seeks to serve the Family, the Church, and the State.

a. To the *Family* it extends its aid in the temporary care of children in day nurseries, Christian young people's societies, and like preventive means for those imperiled by their surroundings; and in conducting Magdalen homes for the rescue of fallen women, reformatory homes for inebriates, and labor colonies for the unemployed.

b. The Inner Mission aids the *Church* in the work of diaspora, emigrant, seamen's and city missions, in parish work among the poor and sick, in the proclamation and diffusion of the Word among the neglected masses, in the circulation of wholesome literature, in seeking to bring about a better observance of the Lord's Day, and in other like efforts.

c. The Inner Mission comes to the assistance of the *State* by serving it in the Christian care of prisoners and discharged convicts, of dependent, defective and delinquent children, of the sick, poor and defective in hospitals and homes, and of the needy in times of war and pestilence; and on many questions affecting the public welfare (housing conditions, capital and labor, divorce, the social evil, etc.), it seeks to create a healthy sentiment on the basis of the Divine Word.

d. While many forms of Inner Mission work are of necessity institutional, there are other forms (e. g., with children, the poor, the sick, the unchurched) that can and should be undertaken by congregations, especially so in the cities. To point out needs and opportunities, suggest means and methods, and through earnest preaching and teaching to move hearts and hands, should therefore be regarded by pastors as a sacred duty of their office.

e. On questions affecting the public welfare, and in view of the spiritual unrest regarding revelation and matters of faith which characterizes the present, it should be the special endeavor of pastors, whenever opportune, to apply the old truths to existing conditions. For doing so many points of contact will be found in the lessons of the Church Year.

IV.

Besides endeavoring to utilize the entire body of believers in its work, the Inner Mission also has its special organs. These are:

a. Its official representatives (rectors and pastors of institutions, general secretaries, superintendents of city missions, etc.).

b. The male and female diaconate.

c. Associations.

Inner Mission institutes that have demonstrated their wisdom and usefulness far beyond the power of this report to express have been held in Eastern and Western Pennsylvania. Four such institutes were conducted, under the auspices of the Inner Mission Board of the Pittsburgh Synod and the Western Pennsylvania branch of the General Council's Committee, at Dubois, Pittsburgh, New Castle, and Erie from February 7th to February 10th during the present year. Four essayists were appointed for each meeting and these were followed by four leaders in discussion. The efficiency of the evangelizing methods in the Lutheran Church, Inner Mission activities other than in the Lutheran Church, the claims of the Pittsburgh Synod's present Inner Mission work, and the Necessity of a Pittsburgh City Mission, were the subjects discussed. An address in the evening, on the causes leading to the unchurching of Lutherans, was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Frick at each of these institutes.

In Philadelphia, which is the chief center for Inner Mission activity in the Pennsylvania Ministerium, an institute that proved to be successful to a marked degree, was conducted by the English and German Pastoral Associations of the city, the Eastern Pennsylvania branch of the General Committee cooperating. It culminated in a mass meeting of about 3,000 people in the Academy of Music on the evening of March 22, 1911, when addresses on general phases of the work and a stereopticon lecture on the ten Inner Mission activities conducted in the city were delivered, while a chorus of 600 voices led the singing and rendered inspiring anthems. The main theme of discussion at the pastoral conferences was the Inner Mission spirit and leaven, and how to introduce it into the life and activities of the congregation.

Considerable activity along educational lines was also manifested within the bounds of the English Synod of the Northwest.

(*b.*) *Dr. Ohl's Book.*

It affords the committee great pleasure to state that the promised Inner Mission Handbook has appeared, and is meeting with a very general and cordial reception within the General Council and far beyond its bounds. The title of the book is "The Inner Mission," and its author is the Rev. Dr. J. F. Ohl. It is needless to add anything to the high commendation this important work has everywhere received. It is enough to say, that the thorough and many-sided treatment the Inner Mission receives in this book marks it as the most timely educational factor in this department of the Church's work that has appeared within a generation. It is the first adequate word on the subject in the English language, and supplies a want that has been deeply felt for many years. It is the best educator on Inner Missions the American Lutheran Church now has and it should find a cordial welcome in every home.

(*c.*) *Inner Mission Activity.*

While little that is new has developed in the field of Inner Mission activity during the past two years, it may confidently be stated that there has been a decided growth and development in nearly all those fields where

Inner Mission work in its newer and less institutional form is being carried on. Because of the enforced withdrawal of the Rev. Dr. A. J. D. Haupt (due to the impaired health of his efficient helpmeet) from the work in Pittsburgh, that work has suffered a temporary setback; but this is more than offset by the new work that has been inaugurated in New York City under the city missionary, the Rev. Dr. F. F. Buermeyer. The immense field this missionary attempts to cover, and the blessed work he is doing, have been admirably brought out in his first annual report of 1910.

In Philadelphia the work has considerably expanded. The Orphans' Home and Asylum for the Aged at Germantown, and the Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses are continuing their beneficient labors with ever-increasing efficiency. The City Mission, under the superintendence of Dr. Ohl, has wide ramifications, annually ministers to thousands in the charitable, reformatory and penal institutions of the city, and in many ways serves a most useful purpose outside of these. The Inner Mission Society, recently incorporated, now owns the Luther Hospice for Young Men (the Rev. Jos. S. Schantz, Housefather) together with the adjoining property, and has purchased a permanent home for its Settlement (the Rev. A. Hering, Director), representing a combined value of almost $60,000, and an investment of less than two-thirds of said amount. The Kensington Dispensary for the Treatment of Tuberculosis, which has met with phenomenal success in its brief history, has just added a farm near Phoenixville to its other property holdings, to which it can send its patients for treatment under the most favorable natural conditions. The Samaritan Shelter and the Tabor Home for Destitute Children, whether orphan or not, are doing a constantly enlarging work of great blessedness with very limited resources. The work among the Italians begun by the Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Cassaday, is successfully prosecuted by an Italian Lutheran pastor, the Rev. O. B. Neyroz, whose headquarters are found in "The Martin Luther Settlement House," the title of which is held by the Church Extension Society. Lutheran seamen and immigrants coming to the port of Philadelphia are looked after by the Rev. Chr. E. Metzenthin, called to this work by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, and a Seamen's Home is now owned and operated by the society organized to aid in the support of this work. The Lutheran Church Book and Literature Society, as another branch of Inner Mission Work, and as will be seen from its own report, has continued to supply missions and charitable institutions with copies of the Church Book and the Sunday-school Book, and to circulate its tracts in large numbers. Add to all this a marked growth in practical knowledge and efficiency, and it may safely be said that the day of doubt and inexperience that once characterized the beginnings of these operations in Philadelphia has passed away.

In Chicago, the Inner Mission work begun in 1906 has expanded with remarkable rapidity under the leadership of the Rev. Victor Tengwald, the city missionary of the Augustana Synod. Its field of operations is chiefly the large Scandinavian population in the great metropolis, though it

reaches out in all directions irrespective of nationality and has the co-operation of pastors and congregations of Lutheran Synods other than the Augustana. It ministers to the spiritual needs of inmates in about 40 hospitals with most blessed results; it condusts a soul-saving and reformatory work in the county jail, the House of Correction, the John Worthy School for Boys, rescue homes for girls, police stations and other reformatory institutions; it gives aid and advice, and distributes tracts among immigrants who pass through Chicago; it carries on a systematic and blessed work among street waifs and loungers in genuine apostolic fashion; it enters the saloon with its tracts and comes into contact with all sorts of wayward and abandoned people infected with social, moral, and religious heresies, which it combats; it does a most blessed rescue work among children orphaned and unprotected, whom it anchors either in orphans' homes or in Lutheran families; also among fallen women in the "red light district," and among drunkards, whom it seeks to tear away from their city environment in order to start them anew on some country farm; it conducts a very successful employment and aid bureau, finding work for hundreds every year and looking after the needs of those in destitute circumstances.

On May 1, 1910, the Augustana Central Home, a beautiful and spacious building at 1346 La Salle Ave., most favorably located, was opened as the headquarters of this very prosperous mission. Many guests from many countries here find hospice shelter, and to it all in need of relief can flock to make their wants known. By careful management, the Home has been made self-supporting. A nursery for little children under two years of age has been established at the Home, and is the only one of its kind among Lutherans in the city. The property is valued at $21,500. The running expenses of the mission last year amounted to $11,500, and for the first half of this year, to $6,583.17. The work is conducted by the "Chicago Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church" and is authorized by the Illinois Conference of the Augustana Synod. Missionary Tengwald superintends the whole work and, apart from the matron of the Home, has only temporary assistants.

We give this full report of the work because of the vast and varied field it covers and of the wonderful progress it has made in this short time.

Realizing the importance of this type of city missionary work, Lutherans in Toledo are casting about for a man qualified for service of this kind. It is to be hoped that not only Toledo, but all other large cities where the Lutheran Church is strong, will feel the call and speedily engage in work so eminently necessary and so wonderfully fruitful in blessing.

In Minneapolis, the Home for Young Women, now in charge of the Rev. F. A. Schaffnit, is meeting a long-felt want and demonstrating the wisdom of its founders in providing a Christian home and atmosphere for young women who feel themselves adrift in a great city.

In addition to these later and newer forms of Inner Mission activity, there are the many orphans' homes, homes for the aged, hospitals, immigrants' homes, seamen's missions, and the like.

The Inner Mission Spirit and Leaven in the Congregation.

The Inner Mission institute held in Philadelphia, when the question of bringing the work of Inner Missions home to the life and activities of the congregation was considered, has convinced that portion of the committee which participated in the meetings that no more important and vital subject can possibly engage the Council's attention than this. If the answer of the Church to the general outcry of its detractors, who charge it with ecclesiasticism, formalism, professionalism, and indifference to the world's crying needs, will ever be given in any effective and convincing manner, it will be given by that branch of God's Zion which brings back to the congregation the apostolic Inner Mission spirit that has largely left it. The altruism which pins its faith to various humanitarian efforts to redeem the body and let the soul shift for itself, will not furnish the answer that is needed. Neither will any cheap devices to catch the interest and win the confidence of large classes of people who attribute all the ills of life to conditions outside of them rather than to the sinful condition within them, furnish the answer. Even the establishment of numerous institutions of charity and mercy by the Church will not furnish it. Christianity must be vitalized and actualized in the congregation; from it must radiate forth a stream of benevolent activity so genuine in its spirit, so evangelical in its heart, and so redemptive in its motive as to make the world feel that the same mind that was in Christ Jesus is a living and working force in it also. Until we can bring Inner Missions back to the congregation as part of its spirit and life, we will look in vain for much progress in the large field of human need outside of the parish.

The other recommendations made in the report of this Committee at Minneapolis have to an extent been complied with. At the Theological Seminary in Philadelphia a special course of lectures on Inner Missions was during the last year delivered by Dr. Ohl. The Chicago Seminary has included this subject in its curriculum since the early Nineties. The Mary J. Drexel Home is prepared to give instruction in Christian work to women who do not intend to become deaconesses, and had as a special student, this past year, Miss Margaret Haupt in preparation for her sphere of usefulness in India. And since the last meeting of the Council, numerous articles have appeared in the Church periodicals, especially in The Lutheran, on various phases of Inner Mission work.

With reference to Recommendation 4, page 236, Minutes of 1909, touching a plan for the training of deacons, the Committee is not prepared at this time to make any definite propositions in regard to the establishment of institutions for the training of deacons.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Resolved, That we urge all pastors of the General Council to see to it that Dr. Ohl's book on "The Inner Mission" be added to the Bible School libraries within the bounds of the General Council, that the attention of members be called by our pastors to the importance of the book;

that the pastors urge its introduction into public libraries; and that the attention of our Luther Leagues and other organizations be called to the book for study. THE INNER MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Rev. E. A. Trabert, Secretary, presented the

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL PENSION FUND COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on the Ministerial Pension Fund begs leave to submit the following report:

Two meetings of your Committee were held, the first one in January of 1910, when a proposed plan was formulated and sent to the various Synods for their approval. The second meeting was held in Lancaster, September 15, when, after hearing the action of the various Synods, the following plan was finally adopted to be presented to this august body:

WHEREAS, It is an obligation resting upon the Christian Church to make proper provision for her aged and disabled ministers; therefore be it

Resolved, That the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America establish a Ministerial Pension Fund.

2. The benefits of the General Council Pension Fund shall apply to two classes, (1) retired ministers, (2) disabled ministers.

3. It shall be understood that the benefits of this Fund shall apply only to those who are in good standing in the Synod to which they belong at the time when they are entitled to become beneficiaries of the Fund.

4. Those eligible in the class of (1) retired ministers shall consist of persons who have reached the age of sixty-seven (67) years, and have been in the Evangelical Lutheran ministry not less than thirty (30) years, the last fifteen (15) of which shall have been spent in the service of the General Council.

5. In case a man, who has reached the age limit of the retired class is formally requested to continue in the work of his office, this shall not debar him from enjoying the benefits of the Fund when he retires.

6. Any minister becoming totally disabled while in the service of the General Council may be entitled to the benefits of this Fund.

7. The General Council shall create a Board to administer this Fund. This Board shall have the proper investment of the Fund under its control, and shall be charged with the duty of increasing the same; it shall make regulations for the administration of the work; it shall thoroughly investigate all cases properly brought before it and shall have the power of decision in such cases. The said Board shall organize and elect officers for the discharge of the aforesaid duties. Said Board shall consist of nine (9) members and shall be elected by the General Council; three (3) members of the first Board to serve two years, three (3) to serve four years, and three (3) to serve six years; their successors to be elected for a period of six years, any member of the Board being

eligible for re-election. In case of a vacancy occurring on the Board during the biennium the remaining members shall have power to fill the same until the next meeting of the General Council.

8. The provisions of this Fund shall become effective as soon as the newly-elected Board shall receive from the Jubilee Fund or other sources a sufficient amount to enable them to go into cooperation.

9. The provisions of this General Council Fund shall in no wise interfere with any measures adopted or employed by any of the Synods of the General Council for the relief of widows or orphans of ministers, or any cases of disability not covered by the foregoing resolutions.

Very respectfully submitted,

J. C. SEEGERS, *Chairman.*
EARNEST A. TRABERT, *Secretary.*

On motion of the Hon. F. M. Riter, it was

Resolved, That the following two classes be added under No. 2: (3) widows of members; (4) their children under sixteen years of age.

The first two items were adopted. The items following were recommitted for further adjustment.

The Rev. Dr. George Haas presented the

REPORT OF IMMIGRANT MISSION BOARD.

(For the period of two years ending June 30, 1911.)

To the Venerable General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America:

Your Board respectfully submits as its report the attached reports of its missionary and its treasurer.

GEORGE C. F. HAAS, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE IMMIGRANT MISSIONARY.

The Report of your missionary deals (1) with the general work among the immigrants, and (2) with our difficulties with Commissioner Williams.

I. THE WORK DONE AMONG THE IMMIGRANTS.

During the last two years our country opened its doors to nearly 1,800,000 newcomers, among whom were about 40,000 Germans, most of them good, reliable, hardworking, and steady people, farmers, mechanics, and artisans, who may well be called "desirable immigrants." About 9,000 of these came under the direct care of our Emigrant House, which for 38 years has given protection, shelter, and assistance of various kinds to 368,724 of our German brethren in the faith, of whom 69,231 were full beneficiaries, not to mention the 27,265 temporarily out of work who were fed at our table during the winter months. As in former years, your missionary also during the past biennium endeavored to be true to his pledge as a servant of the Lutheran Church, to be helpful to the

stranger, to assist the poor, to find work for the willing worker, to comfort the sick, to break the bread of life to those hungry and thirsty after righteousness. We had our representatives meet every incoming steamer from German, Dutch, and Belgian ports at their piers, besides doing our regular work at Ellis Island, as long as we were permitted to work there. A goodly number of our Lutheran new-comers we were able to lead into our General Council churches, many who had relatives in those parts we directed into congregations of the Iowa and Ohio Synods. In like manner we served the German Nebraska Synod, whilst not a few of the Evangelical Synod of North America sought the help of our mission. Even German Mennonites and colored Lutherans from Porto Rico found their way into our Emigrant House, whose doors are closed to no one, in accord with the Christian principle laid down by our blessed Saviour and professed in the character of our Institution.

With deep gratitude we acknowledge the kind assistance of our friends within and without the General Council, by whose aid we have been able to carry on the noble work. We trust that the number of our well-wishers and active co-workers will largely increase, in order that more good may be accomplished in the future than heretofore. The Report of our treasurer will show where help is most needed. It would indeed be a poor policy to let the work of our immigrant mission suffer from lack of funds because of the decreasing immigration. There is still much to do. Our Emigrant House now needs the help of its friends more than ever before. Though it is not the property of the General Council in a legal sense, nevertheless the Council owns it, as the headquarters and the most potent agent of its immigrant mission, which is the legal and rightful child of the General Council.

Our chapel is always open. As regularly as the sun rises and sets each day, morning and evening prayer is held in our little sanctuary. Short explanations of the lessons generally follow the reading of the Scriptures. The Word of God is preached on Sundays and not infrequently, when opportunity offers, during the week. Your missionary is pleased to be able to report, that, although attendance is voluntary, with very few exceptions all the guests of the house take part in our daily "Hausandachten." God bless them and those who attend them.

2. OUR DIFFICULTIES WITH COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS.

What now follows is not at all agreeable and has caused your missionary and your Board many an unpleasant day and occasioned many special meetings of the Board of Trustees of the Emigrant House.

On January 9, 1911, the same Commissioner of Immigration, Wm. Williams, who in the fall of 1902 banished from Ellis Island my predecessor, the Rev. Hermann J. Berkemeier, for reasons known to us all (Brother Berkemeier died while investigations were in progress) notified me by letter through a special messenger, that he was unable to comply with my request for a renewal of my pass and that of my representative to Ellis Island for the year 1911. In harsh language, heretofore not pub-

lished for reasons concerning your missionary, the Commissioner charges the missionary (1) with having filed "false reports," and (2) with having secured situations for immigrant girls through an employment office, which is contrary to a rule of the Immigration Department. At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees called at once, I acquainted the Board with the facts, leaving it to their judgment what should be done in the matter. After a thorough and searching investigation and after careful deliberation the Board found as follows:

(1) That the so-called "false reports" were such irregularities as are likely to occur in any institution that is called upon to deal with numbers of people and must rely to a considerable extent upon subordinates to carry on its work.

(2) That it is a matter of extreme difficulty, if not impossibility, where immigrants are once at liberty, so to control and restrict their movements and actions, without actually imprisoning them, as to make an infraction of the rules on their part impossible.

(3) That the irregularities that have occurred are all clearly traceable to the actions of subordinates, and had not even come to the knowledge of the missionary until after the investigation.

(4) That, even where irregularities occurred, the immigrants concerned were not thereby injured, jeopardized, or in any manner taken undue advantage of.

Upon this finding the Board of Trustees of the Lutheran Emigrant House unanimously expressed their full confidence in the integrity and ability of their missionary and sent a copy of this their finding to the Commissioner of Immigration, again requesting him to renew Rev. Doering's pass. The Commissioner in reply stated, that he did not share the confidence of the Board in Rev. Doering, and again refused the pass. The Board, upon his suggestion, made another and still more exhaustive investigation, but found nothing to change their position. They sent a committee to confer personally with the Commissioner, but neither this nor a personal letter written at their suggestion by the missionary to the Commissioner proved of any effect.

When finally in April, 1911, the Commissioner issued a series of rules, according to which no Mission House, no benevolent or other Society represented on Ellis Island was permitted to sell steamship tickets or exchange money, further negotiations with Ellis Island were broken off, as the Board could not and would not submit to the Commissioner's rules, being of the opinion, that the sale of steamship tickets, while affording not a small income, was perfectly legitimate and entirely compatible with the principles of running such an institution. The exchange of money is done solely for the convenience of the guests and in their interest, the charge for such exchange being the daily rate of exchange.

At the annual meeting of the New York Ministerium in June, 1911, in Buffalo, N. Y., your missionary and members of the Board spoke in the interest of the Immigrant Mission, referring also to the exclusion of the missionary from Ellis Island. Upon this presentation the Ministerium

by a unanimous vote passed a resolution, assuring the missionary as well as the Board of Trustees of the Emigrant House of their utmost confidence, and recommending our mission most heartily to the tender care of the Church.

What the future work of the Immigrant Mission is to be, we confidently leave to the wise judgment of the General Council.

Trusting in God and in His children,

I remain, most respectfully,

Your missionary,

G. DOERING.

New York, August 1, 1911.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The President appointed as

Nominating Committee.—Revs. C. G. Fischer, F. W. Bosch, C. H. Wassmund, and Messrs. W. P. M. Braun and F. C. Hassold.

Adjourned with the use of the Lord's Prayer.

SIXTH SESSION.

Monday, September 18, 9 a. m.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. George Gebert, of Tamaqua, Pa.

The minutes of the Fifth Session were read and approved.

The Rev. C. R. Tappert presented the

REPORT OF THE KROPP COMMISSION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

At the convention of the General Council at Buffalo in 1907, on motion of Dr. Spaeth, the following was adopted: WHEREAS, It appears from the report of the German Home Mission Board that the German Home Mission and Educational work of the General Council is greatly embarrassed and in danger of being completely crippled by the lack of suitable men and the peculiar difficulties in the way of proper training for the work in this country; therefore, be it *Resolved,* That the General Council recommend that the German brethren connected with our Synods hold one or more Conferences for a thorough consideration of the whole problem, and that, as a result of these conventions, they propose to this Body some definite plan of action which may remove the difficulties."

September 9th and 10th, 1908, the first General Council German Conference was held at Rochester, N. Y. About 90 ministers, representing the Synods of Pennsylvania, New York, Canada, Pittsburgh, and Manitoba were present. Rev. Dr. Spaeth preached the opening sermon. On the second day of the conference Rev. Dr. Spaeth gave a historical review of previous relations between the General Council and the Seminary at Kropp. Dr. Offerman read a paper advocating the official recognition, and some support of the Seminary at Kropp, by the General Council, with recommendations prepared for discussion at this conference by the committee appointed for the purpose of calling such a conference. With slight alterations these recommendations were unanimously adopted. The most important amendment was the clause added to the first recommendation, "unless otherwise decided by the Standing Commission of the General Council." This amendment was prompted by remonstrances of the president of the German Home Mission Board and the president of the Manitoba Synod, who declared that a cast iron rule compelling *all* graduates from the Kropp Seminary to spend another year at Philadelphia would work serious havoc in our mission field. It would at times prevent us from filling a vacancy for another year or compel us to postpone work of great importance. The amendment was unanimously accepted. The recommendations of the conference are given in the Minutes of the Thirty-second Convention of the General Council as follows:

"*Resolved,* 1. That we recommend to the General Council to establish an official relation with the Theological Seminary in Kropp, with the understanding that, unless otherwise decided by the Standing Commission of the General Council, the students of the institution in Kropp, after finishing their theological course there, spend one more year at our Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, in order to attend a special course as a practical preparation for their American pastorate.

"*Resolved,* 2. That we recommend to the General Council to establish a Standing Commission whose duty it shall be to transact all business with the Theological Seminary at Kropp and to act as agent between Kropp and the General Council.

"*Resolved,* 3. That in the event of such an agreement, we expect the Theological Seminary in Kropp to formally accept the 'Fundamental Articles of Faith and Church Polity' of the General Council, and obligate itself to conduct its institution in harmony with these articles.

"*Resolved,* 4. That the appointment and retention of all the instructors of the Theological Seminary in Kropp shall be valid only by the approval of the above Commission.

"*Resolved,* 5. That it be made the duty of the Standing Commission to collect moneys for the Theological Seminary in Kropp, and that all moneys contributed from the different parts of the General Council for Kropp go into the hands of the Commission, which shall be required to submit an account to the General Council.

"*Resolved,* 6 (7). That all candidates who may come over to us remain under the supervision of the Standing Commission of the General Council until their installation into ministerial office."

The original sixth recommendation of the Rochester Convention is here omitted. It reads: "That the General Council pledge itself to pay annually a fixed sum to the Theological Seminary at Kropp."

At a Conference of the German delegates of the General Council at Minneapolis the following was substituted for this recommendation

"We recommend that $5,000 be raised by apportionment in the New York Ministerium, the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the Pittsburgh Synod, the Canada Synod, and such sums from the German Home Mission Board as it would find possible to contribute."

This same Conference added the following recommendations:

"We recommend that the following constitute the Commission to transact business between the General Council and Kropp:

The President of the General Council.
The members of the German Home Mission Board.
One member of the Philadelphia Seminary Faculty.
One member of the New York Ministerium.
One member of the Pennsylvania Ministerium.
One member of the Canada Synod.
One member of the Pittsburgh Synod.
One member of the Manitoba Synod.

"*Resolved,* That this Commission be instructed to enter into communication with Kropp and the Faculty of the Philadelphia Seminary, and submit and carry out a plan of action which will embody the above resolutions.

"*Resolved,* That the Commission present to the next General Council for ratification, a complete report of all its actions."

All these recommendations were unanimously adopted by the General Council.

The following Commission was chosen:

The Kropp Commission.—Rev. T. E. Schmauk, D.D., President of the General Council; Rev. C. R. Tappert, members of the German Home Mission Board; Rev. E. C. J. Kraeling, member of the German Home Mission Board; Rev. G. C. Berkemeier, D.D., member of German Home Mission Board; Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., Professor in Philadelphia Theological Seminary; Rev. H. W. Hoffmann, Ph.D., New York Ministerium; Rev. H. D. E. Siebott, Pennsylvania Ministerium; Rev. E. Hoffman, Canada Synod; Rev. G. A. Benze, D.D., Pittsburgh Synod.

On November 4th, 1909, the Kropp Commission held its first meeting. All members of the Commission were present. Pastor J. Paulsen appeared as representative of Kropp, invested with full power by the legally incorporated Seminary association. Dr. Schmauk presented a set of articles, rules and regulations, based upon the resolutions passed by the General Council. They were carefully discussed and accepted in the following form:

I. THE AGREEMENT WITH KROPP.

"Whereas, The General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America and the Theological Seminary in Kropp have signified their willingness and desire to enter into closer relationship in order to aid each other in prosecuting the work of our Lord and His Church;

"And, whereas, the representatives of both parties are fully empowered by their respective bodies to draw up a contract which shall form the basis of the aforesaid mutual relationship, we hereby covenant and agree with each other as to the following articles:

"1. The Theological Seminary at Kropp agrees to accept the 'Fundamental Articles of Faith and Church Polity' of the General Council, and obligates itself to teach its students the doctrines and to conduct its institution in harmony with the polity of these articles.

"2. The Theological Seminary at Kropp agrees to submit the nomination of all the instructors in its Seminary, prior to action upon them by the authorities in Kropp, to the approval of the Kropp Commission of the General Council, and to elect only such instructors as have been approved by the Kropp Commission.

"3. The Theological Seminary at Kropp agrees that all candidates who may come over to America from its institution shall remain under the supervision of the Standing Commission of the General Council until their installation into the ministerial office; and further agrees that it will, during its whole course, instill into the minds of the young men the fact that they are intended for the great mission field of the Lutheran Church in America, and that they will be placed in positions by the proper authorities of the General Council after they have spent the allotted period of time in the Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

"4. The Theological Seminary agrees to establish the rule that its candidates, after finishing their theological course in Kropp, spent one more year at the Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, taking a special course arranged by the faculty of the said Seminary, unless otherwise decided by the Standing Commission of the General Council.

"5. That the institution at Kropp agrees to keep the Kropp Commission informed as to the number of students which are likely to come over during any particular year and to communicate to the same, the results of their examinations and a report of their conduct immediately after their examinations.

"6. That the Institution at Kropp agrees to furnish the Commission an annual report of its work, covering the course of instruction pursued during the year, the total number of students, the total number of students that are studying for America, and the number of students that will be sent to America in the current year, together with all prospective changes in the Faculty and the items which might be of interest to the General Council or its Commission.

"7. The Institution at Kropp agrees to secure for the Kropp Commission in America written pledge of each of the beneficiaries in which they agree, after their arrival in this country, to place themselves under the authority of the Kropp Commission in America up to the period of their ordination and installation, and to labor in such mission fields as they may be assigned to.

"8. On the other hand, the Kropp Commission of the General Council, acting in behalf of the General Council, agrees to raise for the Theological Seminary at Kropp the sum of four thousand dollars annually.

"9. The Kropp Commission, acting in behalf of the General Council, agrees to raise, if necessary, the sum of one thousand dollars annually for the support of graduates from Kropp attending the special course at the Theological Seminary of Philadelphia.

"10. The Kropp Commission agrees to respect acts of discipline which the faculty at Kropp may have deemed necessary to decree.

"11. The Secretary of this Commission shall be authorized to sign this agreement in behalf of the Commission, Rev. J. Paulsen, representative of Kropp, signing the same in behalf of the Seminary association."

II. THE RELATION OF THE KROPP COMMISSION TO THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN PHILADELPHIA AND TO THE CANDIDATES OF KROPP ATTENDING THE SPECIAL COURSE.

"1. The Institution at Kropp shall be requested to see that the destination of the candidates is the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, and that they sail in time to arrive in Philadelphia by the middle of September.

"2. These candidates shall be obliged to appear before the faculty of the Theological Seminary at Philadelphia in order to be regularly received. During the course, they are under the authority of the faculty.

"3. The Kropp Commission shall meet annually on or about Seminary Day at the Theological Seminary in order to receive and make arrangements with the candidates that have come over.

"4. Of the five thousand dollars to be gathered for this enterprise, one thousand shall be used, when necessary, in aid of the students that are preparing at the Seminary."

III. THE GATHERING OF THE FUNDS AND THE CONTROL OF THE STUDENTS.

"1. The Kropp Commission shall appoint a Standing Committee of three to be composed of those members of the Commission who officially represent the German Home Mission Board of the General Council. This standing committee shall supervise the course and conduct of the graduates of Kropp while in the Seminary, secure for them a call, which it shall be their duty to fill unless providentially prevented, and arrange for their ordination and installation. This committee shall be the only body authorized to send the Kropp candidates out to preach while they are in the Seminary.

"2. This committee, in addition to the meeting on Seminary Day, shall also meet the Kropp students once during the midwinter, and once at the end of the third Seminary term, and shall be responsible for the placing of the students in the field to the best advantage of the Church.

"3. The Kropp Commission shall elect a President and a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to see that the work of the Commission is properly performed, and a Treasurer. The Treasurer need not be a member of the Kropp Commission.

"4. The Kropp Commission shall appoint a Standing Committee of three whose duty it shall be to disseminate information, to make regular appeals and to fix regular dates for these appeals in the Church in such a manner that the methods and dates will be in harmony with the interest of the German Home Mission work, and who shall be responsible for the raising of five thousand dollars annually. This committee shall meet at least quarterly and shall submit a financial report at every annual meeting of the Kropp Commission, and, with the Treasurer, prepare a financial report which the Commission is required to furnish biennially to the General Council.

"*Resolved*, That the Kropp Commission may alter these rules, provided such alteration is approved by a majority of at least two-thirds of its members. No proposal to alter these rules shall be put to the vote unless previously sent in writing to the secretary, and by him communicated to the members of the Commission."

Rev. J. Paulsen expressed his satisfaction at the realization of this agreement.

The following were elected as officers of the Commission:

Dr. Theodore E. Schmauk, President; C. Reinhold Tappert, Secretary; Dr. Hugo W. Hoffmann, Treasurer. Standing Committee (cf. Rules III. 4): Dr. G. C. Berkemeier, Dr. Hugo W. Hoffman and C. Reinhold Tappert. This committee was authorized to arrange all necessary details with Rev. J. Paulsen.

April 5, 1910, another meeting of the Kropp Commission was held. The Standing Committee reported that the agreement had been signed by Rev. J. Paulsen and the secretary, and that the agreement should go into effect January 1, 1910. This was sanctioned by the Commission. The Standing Committee also reported that an arrangement had been made with Rev.

Lisbich to act as financial agent for the Commission. This action was also sanctioned. The suggestion of the Committee to encourage wealthy members of our congregations, if possible, to found scholarships for indigent students at the Seminary in Kropp, was postponed for the consideration of the next convenion of the General Council, as the Commission had no authority in this matter.

A student of the Theological Seminary at Kropp had been called by the president of the Manitoba Synod to take charge of a congregation vacant for more than a year. As the student, following this call, has left the institution before his examinations, Rev. Paulsen, who had just returned from his trip to America, entered a protest. This case was very carefully inquired into and discussed by the Standing Committee and the Commission. It was found that the student was called and the call accepted, before the agreement with Kropp was in force, and that consequently the case did not properly come under the terms of this agreement; and, as Rev. J. Paulsen himself informed the Commission: "The faculty approves of the ordination of N. N.; do therefore whatever you find proper," and thereby withdrew his protest, the Commission had no case against this student, as also no act of discipline on the part of the Faculty at Kropp was involved. (Cf. Agreement I, 10.)

The discussions carried on in adjusting this affair brought out the fact that there were still some matters requiring a clearer explanation. Dr. H. W. Hoffman was therefore instructed by the Standing Committee to draw up a set of rules regulating the business transactions in order to avoid possibility of future misunderstanding. These rules were discussed at this meeting of the Commission, and accepted in the following form:

Resolved, 1. That the Presidents of the Synods connected with the General Council and the President of the German Home Mission Board be requested to submit to the Articles of Agreement between the Kropp Commission for the General Council and the Kropp Seminary, especially to those Articles referring to duties of candidates from Kropp. (Articles of Agreement, Series 1, paragraphs 3, 4 and 7; Series 2, paragraphs 1 and 2; Series 3, paragraph 1.)

2. That no call is to be extended to any student in the Kropp Seminary before the matter has been thoroughly weighed by the Kropp Commission. If the Commission shall so decide, the call is then to be extended by the faculty of the Kropp Seminary, through the German Home Mission Board, in accordance with the Articles of Agreement, Series 3, paragraph 1.

3. That no student of the Kropp Seminary is to be received for examination and ordination by any Synod or Board of the General Council, except through the Kropp Commission, no matter by what authorities or individuals he may be recommended.

4. That in regard to applications for a release from the obligation to attend to a special course at Philadelphia, the following cases shall find special consideration:

(a) Urgent needs in the fields of the German Home Mission Board, or in Synods connected with the General Council.

(b) The cases of those students in Kropp who entered the institution before the Articles of Agreement were drawn up, and who, on account of their arrangements with creditors, relations, etc., may be subjected to hardships.

(c) The case of students who desire to be legally released from military service must be attended to by the authorities of the Kropp Seminary. They involve special examinations before graduation. When they come to us with official statements from the authorities at Kropp, the Commission shall deal with them as with regular graduates.

5. (a) That the authorities of the Kropp Seminary shall be requested to appoint a Committee, which shall be the official channel of communication between the Kropp Commission and the Kropp Seminary. This Committee shall choose its own Secretary, through whom its actions shall be communicated to the Kropp Commission. The business between Treasurer and Treasurer is an exception to this arrangement.

(b) It shall be understood that the Kropp Commission take no notice of communications received from any person other than the Secretary of that Committee, and then only when officially offered.

6. That the President and Secretary of the Kropp Commission shall be the official channel of communication with Kropp, and only communications from the secretary of the Commission, countersigned by the President, shall be regarded as official by the Kropp Seminary Association.

Rev. E. C. J. Kraeling was added to the Standing Committee. Upon request of the German Home Mission Board two graduates of the Seminary at Kropp were excused from attending the special course at Philadelphia. Both had been beneficiaries of the Board.

The third session of the Commission was held June 16th, 1910. Rev. C. H. Ketels, of Kiel, Germany, treasurer of the Kropp Seminary Association, was present. The financial situation was thoroughly discussed. Rev. Ketels voiced the desire of the authorities abroad, that a way might be found to engage an American professor at the Seminary. At the request of the German Home Mission Board the third and last available candidate of this year's graduating class was excused from attending the special course at Philadelphia.

November 17th the fourth meeting of the Commission was held. This being the annual meeting, election of officers was in order. The same officers were re-elected. The treasurer's report was audited and found correct. Since the Commission was in arrears with its payments to Kropp, and the next quarter term near at hand, strenuous efforts were resolved upon to increase receipts.

The General Council shall be requested to authorize its president to enlarge the Commission as occasion demands.

The German Home Mission Board received permission, in extreme necessity, to call a student from the Kropp Seminary.

In future the regular sessions of the Commission shall be held in connection with the meetings of the German Home Mission Board.

May 4, 1911, the Commission met again for its fifth session. The treasurer, Dr. H. W. Hoffmann, about to start on a trip to Europe, was appointed official representative of the Commission, with special instructions to confer with the authorities of the Kropp Seminary. Upon urgent request of the Board of German Home Missions, it was resolved to release this year's graduates from the obligation to attend a special course at Philadelphia. The Board also received permission to call a student of the senior class

of the Seminary, in accordance with the rules accepted in the second session of the Commission.

The last session of the Kropp Commission took place in connection with the General Council German Conference at Johnstown, Pa., August 23, 1911. Dr. Hugo Hoffmann, who, as the representative of the Kropp Commission, attended a meeting of the Kropp Seminary Association at Kiel on August 10th, had sent a detailed report, stating that he was most cordially received and very favorably impressed with the spirit of the members of the association. The "Fundamental Principles of Faith and Church Polity" had not been made a subject of a special study, but Dr. Hoffmann found a great willingness to meet the requirements of the agreement, if the General Council would kindly supply all the necessary material for such information. In spite of most earnest representations Dr. Hoffmann could not succeed in gaining the consent of the association to a reduction in the amounts of our promised support. A minute was adopted that the work could not be carried on on the same plane and to the same extent if the contribution of the General Council to the support of the seminary were reduced.

After a thorough discussion of this report and the present situation the Commission resolved to submit to the decision of the General Council the following recommendations:

Although we are still of the conviction that it would be very difficult to raise $4,000 annually for Kropp,

1. That the Kropp Commission be instructed to give the arrangement with Kropp another trial, if the Church and the friends of Kropp will assist the cause so that no greater debt than $2,000 be incurred to continue the agreement till the next meeting of the General Council.

2. That the Kropp Commission be instructed to secure 180 subscriptions of $10 each within the eight weeks after the meeting of the General Council in order to cancel its present indebtedness, 60 from the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, 60 from the New York Ministerium, 25 from the Canada Synod, 20 from the Pittsburgh Synod and 15 from the Manitoba Synod, the amount to be reported weekly in "Der Deutsche Lutheraner."

3. That, as long as there is a deficit of over $500, the Kropp Commission be instructed to consign the candidates from Kropp to the care of the German Home Mission Board as soon as they arrive to be placed into the mission field at once, as it is idle to expect the Commission to support any students at the Philadelphia Seminary without funds, the rule to be established as soon as the above named deficit disappears.

The Commission looks forward with hopeful expectation, as the Ministerium of Pennsylvania has now passed a resolution to apportion a considerable part of the appropriation for Kropp among its congregations, and as also the Canada Synod in spite of its strenuous efforts to raise funds for a new seminary at Waterloo does not contemplate a reduction of the contributions hitherto pledged.

The following items from the report of Rev. Ketels, secretary and treasurer of the Kropp Seminary Association, will be of interest.

The director of the seminary, Rev. H. Stocks, has been provisionally engaged by the government as director of the teacher's seminary at Kottbus. He was therefore granted leave by the association until his definite appointment. Rev. Doernte, of Hohenwestedt, who received a grant of leave from the government until October the 1st, in the meanwhile performs the duties of his office. He is designated for the successor in the directorship. His definite appointment is of course subject to the approval of your Commission. Of this year's graduates three were granted a special examination, as they were urgently needed in the mission field. One of these did not succeed in his efforts to be released from military duties. Of the four remaining candidates who entered the regular examinations, one did not pass. He presented himself early in the spring to the military authorities for physical examination, hoping that he would not be found effective. In this presumption he was deceived. The first of April he was put into uniform. Having been completely out of touch with theological studies for five months he failed in his examinations. He will however try again next year. Another one of the candidates will probably be retained for military service, so that of this year's graduating class we will probably not receive more than four men altogether. Next year's class will probably number seven. There are now 36 students at the seminary and five teachers.

Dr. Spaeth, representing the faculty of the Seminary at Philadelphia, died June 25, 1910. He never missed a meeting of the Commission except the one held ten days previous to his death. He worked in harmony with the members of the Commission and consented to all its resolutions.

Brief summary of the report of the Kropp Commission indicating the items which require action:

Although we are still of the conviction, as expressed in our name by our representative, Dr. Hugo W. Hoffmann, that it will be very difficult to raise $4,000 per annum for Kropp, we ask:

1. That the Kropp Commission be instructed to give the arrangement with Kropp another trial, if the Church and the friends of Kropp will assist the cause so that no greater debt than $2,000 be incurred, to continue the agreement till the next meeting of the General Council.

2. That the Kropp Commission be instructed to secure subscriptions of $10 each within the eight weeks after the meeting of the General Council, in order to cancel its present indebtedness.

3. That as long as there is a deficit of over $500 the Commission be instructed to consign the candidates from Kropp to the care of the German Home Mission Board as soon as they arrive, to be placed into the mission field at once.

4. That the president of the General Council be authorized to enlarge the commission as occasion demands.

C. R. TAPPERT, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF KROPP COMMISSION.

November 1, 1909, to September 14, 1911.

The total amount received was	$5,614 86
The total expenditure was	5,387 45
Balance, September 14, 1911	$227 41
The moneys were received as follows:	
From the New York Ministerium	$2,843 38
From the Canada Synod	1,200 13
From the Pennsylvania Ministerium	954 11
From the Manitoba Synod	145 95
From the Pittsburgh Synod	133 19
From the Central Synod of Canada	2 00
From the District Synod of Ohio	6 00
Loaned on a Note	300 00
Refund from Rev. H. Liebich	25 00
Special Gift	5 00
Interest from Bank	10
Total	$5,414 86

Expenditures were as follows:

April 6, 1910, to Rev. H. Ketels, Treas. of Kropp Seminary	$1,000 00
April 6, 1910, to Rev. H. Liebich, Agent for Kropp Com...	37 45
July 1, 1910, to Rev. H. Liebich, Agent for Kropp Com....	25 00
July 11, 1910, to Rev. H. Ketels, Treas. of Kropp Seminary	1,000 00
Oct. 4, 1910, to Rev. H. Ketels, Treas. of Kropp Seminary..	200 00
Oct. 4, 1910, to Rev. H. Liebich, Agent for Kropp Com....	25 00
January 3, 1911, to paid off note	300 00
January 16, 1911, to Rev. H. Ketels, Treas. of Kropp Sem.	1,000 00
Feb. 9, to Rev. H. Ketels, Treas. of Kropp Seminary.....	300 00
April 15, to Rev. H. Ketels, Treas. of Kropp Seminary ..	500 00
June 2, to Rev. H. Ketels, Treas. of Kropp Seminary	1,000 00
Total	$5,387 45

HUGO W. HOFFMANN, *Treasurer.*

The undersigned have examined the report of the Treasurer of the Kropp Commission and find it correct.

C. R. TAPPERT,
JACOB W. LOCH.

The President appointed as the two additional members of the Kropp Commission: Rev. Dr. H. Offermann and Rev. Dr. Jacob Loch.

On motion,

Resolved, That the historical portion be referred to a committee to examine before printing.

Committee.—Rev. Drs. H. E. Jacobs and J. A. W. Haas, and Rev. C. G. Fischer.

The following is their report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on the Report of the Kropp Commission of the General Council respectfully recommend that the report be received and entered upon the minutes.

HENRY E. JACOBS,
C. G. FISCHER,
JOHN A. W. HAAS.

At the Eighth Session the Kropp Commission's Report was adopted as a whole.

Rev. Dr. E. Hoffmann presented the

REPORT OF THE GERMAN CONFERENCE.

Resolutions, passed by the German Conference of the General Council, in session at Johnstown, Pa., August 24-25, 1911.

I. CONCERNING THE CANADA SYNOD.

The German Conference recommends to the General Council:

a. That it recognize the necessity of a theological seminary for the further extension of the Lutheran Church in Ontario and the Western Provinces and that it gives its consent to the plan submitted by the two Canada Synods, provided that the Charter and Constitution of the Seminary be approved of by the Presidents of the Canada Synods, the President of the German Home Mission Board and the President of the General Council.

b. That the General Council wish our brethren in Canada the assistance and blessing of God for the carrying out of this most important undertaking.

II. CONCERNING THE MANITOBA SYNOD.

The German Conference recommends to the General Council:

a. That the General Council principally give its consent to the project of the Manitoba Synod, to establish a college on their field, provided that the charter, the constitution and the rules of the institution be approved of by the President of the Manitoba Synod, the President of the German Home Mission Board and the President of the General Council.

b. That the General Council request the Manitoba Synod to consider, if for the sake of the future development of the institution, it might not be more advisable, to select the city of Winnipeg as the seat of the college.

c. That the General Council authorize the German Home Mission Board to guarantee the salary of the Director of the institution to the amount of $800.

d. That, in case the college be established at Winnipeg, the General Council request the English Home Mission Board to appoint an English professor for the said institution.

e. That in this case the General Council invite the Icelandic Synod, to appoint a professor for this institution, who, together with the English professor, might take part in the instruction of all the students, also the Germans, in the preparatory subjects.

III. CONCERNING THE "DEUTSCHE LUTHERANER."

a. The German Conference of the General Council expresses its sincere satisfaction at having in the *Deutsche Lutheraner,* a general organ for the representation of the German interests in the General Council.

b. The German Conference expresses its gratitude to the Editor for his faithful and painstaking work, and gives him full credit for the success so far attained.

IV. CONCERNING THE GERMAN HOME MISSION WORK.

a. The German Conference of the General Council is convinced that the General Council, which, through the providence of God, was first to start missionary work in the Canadian Northwest, has a most important mission to fulfil for the upbuilding of the Lutheran Church in this territory.

b. It is further convinced, that, after many discouraging experiences in the past conditions are at present more hopeful than ever before. We have a good number of faithful and able missionaries in the field, and above all have been successful in finding a Mission Superintendent exceptionally well fitted for the position in the person of the Rev. E. Knappe. What we have been lacking in the past and need most urgently is the active and energetic assistance of our pastors and congregations.

Therefore, we recommend, that the General Council insist that all its pastors and congregations, support the work of the German Home Mission Board with all possible zeal and energy.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. G. A. Benze,

Resolved, That a special committee be appointed to examine the Charter and Constitution of the proposed Canada Seminary, and report this morning.

Committee.—Rev. Drs. G. A. Benze, H. E. Jacobs, H. Offermann.

Later in the session they offered the following report, which was adopted.

The committee to examine the Constitution for the proposed Theological Seminary prepared by the Canada Synods reports that, as it is assured

that the confessional basis is that of the General Council, and that the provisions for any alterations are properly safeguarded, we recommend that it be approved.

GUSTAVE A. BENZE,
HENRY E. JACOBS,
H. OFFERMANN.

Ia and Ib of the Report of the German Conference were adopted; IIa was adopted unanimously.

In place of IIb-e it was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Horn,

Resolved, That the attention of the Home Mission Boards be directed to the importance of co-operation in the proposed school and the advisability of inviting the co-operation of the Icelandic Synod in this instance.

III was adopted. In IV the word "insist" was changed to "urgently recommend." The report was adopted as a whole.

PRESENCE OF GENERAL SYNOD VISITORS.

The Arbitration Committee of the General Synod having today held a joint session with that of the General Council, the following General Synod clergy were present in Trinity Church:

The Rev. Drs. M. W. Hamma, S. W. Owen, W. H. Dunbar, L. Kuhlman, of the Committee; also the Rev. Drs. F. G. Gotwald, J. A. Singmaster and L. B. Wolf.

The President made courteous mention of the fact.

The consideration of the Jubilee Fund was resumed and the report adopted as a whole. See Third Session.

The Rev. J. W. Horine presented the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education held two meetings, the first at Atlantic City, June 21 and 22, 1910, the second at the Publication House in Philadelphia, July 11, 1911. The officers elected were:

President—DR. R. F. WEIDNER.
Recording Secretary—DR. J. A. W. HAAS.
Corresponding Secretary—REV. J. W. HORINE.
Treasurer—MR. HENRY DEININGER.

Because of his inability to attend the second meeting of the Board, Dr. Weidner resigned the chairmanship and Dr. G. J. Gongaware was elected in his place.

The Board entered upon a thorough consideration of the educational questions. Various members of the Board carefully prepared papers on

"Beneficiary Education," which will be submitted as the first bulletin of the Board. The expenses of this bulletin, as well as the traveling expenses were met by a special Finance Committee of the Board, which secured $293.16.

The problems of the Academy, the College, the question of students, and that of ministerial supply were considered.

The Board begs leave to submit to the General Council for discussion and approval the following matters:

I. It requests approval of the Constitution of the Board:

CONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

Article I. The Name.

The name of this Board shall be *The Board of Education of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.*

Article II. The Object.

It shall be the object of this Board to investigate the whole field of education within the Synods of the General Council, and to perform such other duties pertaining to the work of education as the General Council may from time to time determine. It shall present to each Convention of the General Council a full report of its proceedings, together with such recommendations as it may deem wise. It shall also be authorized to collect, receive and disburse moneys entrusted to its administration for educational purposes, subject to such conditions as may be imposed by the General Council or by the donors.

Article III. Membership.

The Board shall consist of sixteen members, one-half of this number to be elected at each regular Convention of the General Council, to serve for a term of four years. Vacancies occurring by death, resignation, or otherwise, may be filled by election of the Board; members so elected to serve until the next regular Convention of the General Council.

Article IV. Officers.

The Officers of this Board shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot at the first meeting of the Board next following a regular Convention of the General Council, and shall serve for a term of two years. Their duties shall be such as are usually discharged by these officers.

Article V. Standing Committees.

At each meeting of the Board next following a regular Convention of the General Council, the President shall appoint two Standing Committees to serve for two years, as follows:

1. *The Executive Committee.* This Committee shall consist of four members, of whom the President shall be one. This Committee shall prepare the program for the meetings of the Board, assign to individual mem-

bers of the Board such work as may be necessary, devise ways and means for the furtherance of such work as the General Council may lay upon the Board, and shall act for the Board in such emergencies as may arise calling for immediate action, but their action shall in such case be subject to the approval of the Board.

2. *The Finance Committee.* This Committee shall consist of three members, of whom the Treasurer shall be one. It shall be the duty of this Committee to devise ways and means for the raising of such moneys as the work of the Board may require.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS.

This Board shall hold at least one regular meeting each year at such time and place as the Board or the Executive Committee shall determine, provided that the meeting for organization shall be held within two months after adjournment of each regular Convention of the General Council. Special meetings shall be held at the call of the President, or of five members of the Board.

ARTICLE VII. QUORUM.

Seven members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Board by a two-thirds vote of the members present and constituting a quorum, provided, however, that such amendment shall have been communicated in writing to each member of the Board not less than two months prior to the meeting at which it is to be acted upon, and provided, further, that such amendment shall become effective only after ratification by the General Council at its next convention.

II. As it was impossible for the Board to proceed in its study of the problem of ministerial supply because only some of the Boards and but one-half of the Synods of the General Council and their institutions furnished the statistics necessary for a full and careful consideration, therefore the Board respectfully requests the General Council to direct its Boards, its Synods, and through them their institutions to furnish the Board of Education with such information as it may ask for.

III. In reference to the standards to be attained in the academies and colleges of the Synods of the General Council, the Board of Education submits to the General Council the following resolutions for consideration:

1. At this present time we do not consider it advisable to fix in detail any standard curricula for academies and colleges.

2. We recommend, however, that our academies aim at a four years' course, such as is found in the leading American preparatory schools.

3. We recommend that our colleges require at least 14 points * for admission, and that their work be thorough, intensive, and within the demands and limits of proper college work.

* A "point" in educational circles is given for a subject pursued for five periods or four full hours per week for a school year. This is the average usage.

4. We advise that in the names and claims of our institutions care be exercised. The college name should not be used by academies; and the grading and demands within our institutions should be equal to those in vogue in the best institutions of our land.

5. We advise theological seminaries to admit none but fully graduated college men, except in rare cases.

IV. *Resolved,* That we suggest to the General Council to recommend to such Synods as have no apportionment for education, that they lay a per capita apportionment of at least ten cents for educational purposes, the funds to be administered by the respective bodies.

V. *Resolved,* That we request the General Council to appropriate $1,000 for the work of the Board of Education for the coming biennium.

VI. The terms of the following members expire at this Convention: Dr. R. F. Weidner, Dr. G. A. Andreen, Dr. J. A. W. Haas, Dr. C. G. Youngert, Dr. L. H. Beck, Dr. C. T. Benze, Rev. E. F. Keever, Rev. J. A. Weyl. Respectfully submitted, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

On motion of Rev. G. F. Gehr, it was

Resolved, That the Constitution of the Board of Education be referred to a committee to report tomorrow. Committee: Revs. Dr. E. P. H. Pfatteicher, F. F. Fry, Dr. G. C. Berkemeier, M. E. Haberland, Prof. L. D. Reed, Mr. Frederick Henrich and Mr. W. Warren Wattles.

At the Eighth Session the Committee reported.

Your Committee appointed to examine the Constitution of the Board of Education recommends the adoption of Article I.

2. It recommends the adoption of Article II, inserting the word "collect" immediately before the term "receive" so that the sentence shall read: "It shall also be authorized to collect, receive, and disburse," etc.

3. It recommends the adoption of Article III.

4. It recommends the adoption of Article IV.

5. It recommends the adoption of Article V.

6. It recommends the adoption of Article VI, inserting the words "at least," so that the Article shall read: "This Board shall hold at least one regular meeting each year," etc.

7. It recommends the adoption of Article VII by changing the number required for a quorum from six to seven.

8. It recommends the adoption of Article VIII, adding, however, "and provided, further, that such amendment shall become effective only after ratification by the General Council at its next convention."

Respectfully submitted, E. P. PFATTEICHER,
FRANKLIN F. FRY,
G. C. BERKEMEIER,
M. E. HABERLAND,
LUTHER D. REED,
FRED'K HENRICH,
W. WARREN WATTLES,
Committee.

The Committee's report was adopted. The amendments are inserted in the Constitution above.

After referring Item V of the Board's Report to the Budget Committee, its report was adopted as a whole.

The chair appointed as tellers to conduct the Board elections: Revs. Dr. G. H. Gerberding, M. J. Bieber, A. Steimle, O. E. Pflueger, A. M. L. Herenius.

Adjourned with the use of the Lord's Prayer.

SEVENTH SESSION

Monday, September 18, 2 p. m.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. C. Theo. Benze, D.D., President of Thiel College.

The minutes of the Sixth Session were read and adopted.

The President noted the presence of Prof. William A. Granville, Ph.D., President of Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa.

The Rev. Dr. H. W. Roth presented the Report on the Admission of Zion Slovak Synod. See First Session.

For the motion reappointing the Jubilee Committee see the Third Session.

The Rev. Dr. Jacobs presented the report of

COMMITTEE ON PRACTICAL FUNCTIONS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

The committee appointed at the last Convention on the Practical Functions of the General Council respectfully reports that four items have been presented for its consideration.

I. A series of resolutions introduced at the last convention by the venerable E. Norelius, D.D., one of the founders of the Augustana Synod, its historian and until the last meeting of that Synod for many years its President. These resolutions were reported to the Augustana Synod at its Convention in Rock Island in 1910, and received its endorsement in the following action:

"*Resolved,* That the Synod is in harmony with these resolutions and that the committee appointed by the General Council be thus informed."

These resolutions as thus submitted and officially endorsed are as follows: (Minutes of 1909, page 197):

WHEREAS, The General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of North America was, at its organization, designed to be a General Church Body, consisting of such District Synods as adopted and maintained its

Principles of Faith and Church Polity; and whereas, it does appear that the General Council has nevertheless drifted more or less into the assumption of entering upon the functions of a District Synod, thereby not only inviting internal strife, but also deterring other Synods which otherwise would and could unite with it, but, fearing to lose their own identity, are standing aloof from it. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America this day reiterates its steadfast adherence to the Fundamental Principles of Faith and Church Polity adopted forty years ago.

2. That the General Council will maintain its Lutheran oecumenical character, and does not desire to enter upon the functions of a District Synod nor to do any special legislation for any of the District Synods.

3. That any Synod which professes with us the same Principles of Faith and Church Polity does not need to fear the loss of its own identity by uniting with the General Council.

Concerning this paper we propose the following action:

1. The General Council recognizes with devout gratitude to God the wonderful work that has been accomplished by the Augustana Synod, the efficiency of the manifold agencies that it has employed, the spread of its Home Mission activity into all parts of the land and the establishment of most important and numerously attended institutions of learning, all of which has necessitated a growth of organization far beyond the scope of any ordinary District Synod and justifies the preservation with the greatest care of what has thus been attained within the field given it to cultivate.

2. It is not the purpose of the General Council to interfere with any of the functions of its District Synods.

3. The General Council farther recognizes the peculiar character and calling of the Augustana Synod with its clearly defined sphere of operations among the Swedes and their descendants as not being an example or precedent for other Synods whose bounds are geographical and which, therefore, are unable as District Synods to accomplish without the more direct agency of the General Council as satisfactory results as by a policy of centralization which is duly qualified and limited by constitutional provisions.

4. That the General Council calls attention to the fact that its Fundamental Principles of Faith and Church Polity are by the very term of the union of Synods within it absolutely unalterable. The General Council stands or falls according to its agreement or its dissent from these Principles. The Constitution of the General Council opens with the statement "We, the Synods representing the congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America * * * * * do hereby declare the principles of doctrine and polity here annexed to be fundamental and unchangeable." The constitution closes (Article IV. Sec. 2) with the words "The fundamental articles of faith and church polity shall not be changed; and if it be proposed to add any articles to the constitution to fix their meaning still more precisely or to secure their object more

thoroughly, such articles shall require the assent of every Synod within the General Council."

5. That in order to give these Principles their proper attention and place, they be printed with the constitution in all minutes of the General Council to be hereafter published.

6. That wherever any Synods transfer to the General Council the administration of any of their interests which they believe can be more efficiently administered by a policy of centralization, the constitutional rights of all other Synods that do not deem it advisable to adopt the same policy, shall be safeguarded and respected, and such Synods shall be regarded as no less loyal to the General Council.

7. That in answer to the suggestion of the Augustana brethren, this General Council now, as at its foundation, will welcome to membership in its Conventions, the representatives of all Synods of the Lutheran Church in America that "profess with us the same Principles of Faith and Church Polity," and guarantee to them the preservation of their own identity and provisions of Synodical Constitution as set forth in the constitution of this Body and in their own Synodical constitutions as agreed upon at their admission.

II. The second item referred to the Committee was (Minutes 1911, page 54) concerning the establishment of educational institutions as well as the action taken at Buffalo (Minutes 1907, page 215): "That it is unwise for any Synod to establish a Theological Seminary without the encouragement and definite endorsement of the General Council whose constitutional provision it is to found such seminaries especially in the new districts where it is carrying on its mission work."

To avoid all misunderstanding, your Committee recommends:

1. That such action be not interpreted as rescinding the very mature action taken at Fort Wayne in 1893, where the General Council declares: (a) "That it is not in a condition to own and to manage a Theological Seminary and that it will be best for all concerned if it sustains precisely the same relations to all the Theological Seminaries within its bounds."

(b) That the seminary whose organization was then under consideration should be controlled by certain district Synods uniting in its support.

2. Your Committee finds that the Buffalo resolution makes two provisions: (a) "It is unwise for any Theological Seminary to be founded without the encouragement and definite action of the General Council." The Council also asks that the plan of such institution be submitted to it, and official endorsement be given by the Council before such institution be founded.

(b) The establishment and control of such institutions is placed in the hands of one or more District Synods.

(c) The exercise of the General Council's "constitutional right" (Constitution, Article I., Sec. 4:1) is confined, First, to the starting of Theological schools in our Foreign Mission Field upon application by the

appropriate Board (Buffalo Minutes, 1907, page 83), and Secondly, to the above recognition and endorsement of any similar undertaking by one or more of its District Synods.

3. That in giving such recognition and endorsement, the General Council shall require: (a) That its Fundamental Principles of Faith and Church Polity be rigidly enforced in all provisions for the teaching in said institutions.

(b) That a certain standard of scholarship be maintained both for entrance and for graduation.

(c) That each institution within the General Council observe and maintain the discipline of the other institutions in such way as may be agreed upon by their Faculties.

III. The third item has reference to the petitions of the Synods in Eastern Canada for the establishment of a Theological Seminary which has already been brought to the attention of this Council in the President's report and in the report of one of the committees to which that report was referred. Concerning this item, your committee recommends that the endorsement of the founding of such a Seminary in Canada be made conditional upon the fulfillment by it of the requirement above specified.

IV. In answer to the request of the Laymen's Meeting at our last Convention (Minutes, page 198) that "a committee be appointed to take into consideration our present organization in conjunction with our present needs and to report a plan of reorganization if deemed advisable", the committee is of the conviction that, although, as the General Council grows, a revision of methods is both advisable and necessary, nevertheless that such revision should not be made unless the Fundamental Principles of Faith and Church Polity of the Council be constantly in view and be thoroughly understood when such revision is made not simply by the committee but by all the delegates of the General Council and to all the Synods that must deliberate on such amendments before they become effective.

In view, also, of the efforts being made by this Council to bring into harmonious co-operation with it all Lutheran Church Bodies in America that agree with it in the unity of one and the same faith, the committee is of the opinion that the Council should be satisfied, for the present, with the methods under which it has grown into a vigorous and efficient organization for church work as well as an influential force within our land for the maintenance of the principles of positive Christianity as confessed by the Lutheran Church.

We therefore recommend that in the judgment of the General Council the time has not come for such "reorganization."

Respectfully submitted, HENRY E. JACOBS,
EDWARD T. HORN,
L. G. ABRAHAMSON,
L. A. JOHNSTON,
G. W. MECHLING.

Under Part I, items 1 to 6 were unanimously adopted. Item 5 was changed to read "In the minutes of the present convention." In item 6 the word "centralization" was changed to "unification." Item 7 was adopted. The further discussion of the matter was postponed to permit of the holding of the Board elections. See the Eighth Session.

On the resumption of the discussion on Practical Functions, all the items under Part II were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Charles M. Jacobs, the words "the exercise of" were prefaced to paragraph 2c. The remainder of the report was adopted unanimously.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. G. A. Benze, it was

Resolved, That the report be adopted as a whole and the committee discharged with the profound gratitude of the General Council.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Jacobs, it was

Resolved, That the attention of the Board of Education be called to that part of the report which covers the conditions under which theological seminaries may be recognized and endorsed.

The President announced the special order to be the

RECEPTION OF OFFICIAL VISITORS.

The Rev. Frederick Richter, D.D., of Clinton, Iowa, President of the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa and other States, addressed the Convention in the German language, followed in English by the Rev. Prof. Frank P. Manhart, D.D., of Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, Pa., as the Official Visitor of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America, and the Rev. M. M. Kinard, Ph.D., Salisbury, N. C., representing the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South. To each of these addresses the President made fitting response.

The session was closed with the use of the Lord's Prayer.

EDUCATIONAL MEETING.

Monday, September 18, 7 p. m.

By appointment, President J. A. W. Haas, D.D., of Muhlenberg College, presented the following

THESES ON THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST, WITH REFERENCE TO MODERN ERRORS.

NOTE.—The following theses are not intended to present a full doctrinal exhibit of the Person and Work of Christ, but only to emphasize on the basis of our Confessions such elements as are in contrast to modern errors.

I. THE FOUNDATION OF THE DOCTRINE.

The doctrine of the Person of Christ is not a religious or moral evaluation, nor a metaphysical speculation, but a confession of faith wrought by the Word of God.

II. ITS SCRIPTURALNESS.

The doctrine of the Person and Work of Christ is:

(a) Not merely progressively unfolded in the Messianic Hope of the Old Testament, but also implied in the symbolic ceremonial, the law, the prophetism, and the wisdom literature of the old covenant, is intimately connected with its doctrine of God and of man, and gives true fulfillment to the history of the people of Israel.

(b) This doctrine is the sum and substance of the facts and truth of the Gospels, the teaching of the Epistles, and the outlook of the Apocalypse.

III. THE CENTER OF THE DOCTRINE.

The center of this doctrine is the reality of personality over against impersonalism, the necessity of personality in true religion, and the unity of the divine and human in fulfilled personality.

IV. THE PURPOSE OF THE DOCTRINE.

The person of Christ is emphasized not to satisfy the intellect on the relation of finite and infinite, but for the sake of redemption, which determines the bearing of the person of Christ on all other doctrines.

V. CHRIST'S WORK AND ITS APPLICATION.

As the purpose of this doctrine is redemption, the person of Christ is not revealed to satisfy intellectual desire to know a mystery, but for the sake of Christ's work, His atonement and perfect satisfaction for sin through His life and death and in virtue of His divine fulness and human obedience, to offer grace and the forgiveness of sin completely and forever through the Word and Sacraments.

VI. THE ETERNAL CHRIST.

While Christ as divine is the eternal Son of God, He is not to be interpreted as divine Power, or Spirit, or even Person, independently of His historical character.

VII. THE HISTORICAL CHRIST.

Christ in His humanity is not to be emphasized as merely a historical personage, found in historical sources and determined by historical criticism and construction, but as historical because God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself.

VIII. CHRIST AS MAN.

As the Son of Man, Christ is not merely one of the founders of a religion, or the greatest religious genius, or the unique man, or the highest examplar, but mainly what He is as total personality, human and divine, the sole Saviour of the souls of men.

IX. CHRIST THE HEALER.

Christ is primarily the Saviour of the soul, and His relation to the bodily life is secondary and conditioned by the earthliness and mortality of the present body.

X. CHRIST AND SOCIAL REFORM.

Because Christ is the Saviour of the soul, His relation to society is through the individual soul and through the community of saints, the Church, but He is not an abolisher of outworn forms of society, a reformer of its evils, or an adjuster of its economic distresses.

The discussion was led by Dr. Haas (Theses I, III, X), Dr. C. Theodore Benze (Theses II and VIII), Dr. H. E. Jacobs (Theses IV and V), Rev. C. M. Jacobs (Theses VI and VII), and Rev. J. F. Ohl (Thesis IX).

EIGHTH SESSION

Tuesday, September 19, 9 a. m.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. Frederick H. Bosch, of New York City.

The minutes of the Seventh Session were read, corrected and adopted.

The Rev. Dr. G. A. Bierdemann, of Toledo, was given permission to present the invitation of St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, supported by the General Council churches in Toledo, to the General Council to hold its 1913 Convention in that city.

The President presented the

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK COMMITTEE.

In response to the recommendation of the General Council, the Ministerium of Pennsylvania has been making a serious endeavor to prepare a uniform set of Sunday-school statistics which will enable the Sunday-school work of the Council to be shown in a more reliable and uniform manner than has hitherto been the case. We recommend that Sunday-school committees of other Synods in the General Council be requested

to examine the rubrics used in the Sunday-school statistical report of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, with a view to securing a uniform statistical report for the whole General Council.

It is the hope of the Sunday-school Work Committee to issue *a Normal Training Quarterly,* beginning possibly with the first of next Advent. *"In Mother's Arms,"* the first book of the Graded System, has appeared.

The Committee has more confidence than ever in the Graded System as the true solution of the teaching and training problems of our school-work, and has some reason to believe that the Lutheran Church in this country as a whole is coming more and more to our conviction. The Committee realizes that our teaching apparatus is susceptible of many improvements, and changes are being made continuously and gradually toward the stage of perfection. During this last year Bible Literature, which is in reality a college text-book, has given way to the more simple, teachable and, biblical *"Bible Outlines."* "Bible Outlines," though as yet it has been issued only in quarterly form, has proved to be one of the most teachable and popular of the grade text books. Provision will also be made for questions for examination of the various grades.

There has been no co-operation on Sunday-school work between the general bodies during the past two years. The General Synod has been pursuing its own pathway in the issuing of Sunday-school publications. A committee of the United Synod of the South has suggested to your committee that the United Synod is perhaps in a position to suggest the attempt to create a common system of Sunday-school instruction for the whole Lutheran Church in this country. The committee of the United Synod was informed by your committee that this suggestion had already been made years ago by the General Council, and that there was a joint committee actually operating under it for years, one of the results of which was the common Picture Charts; and another, the common Sunday-school paper, "Young Folks"; that the General Council would be very glad to continue in any serious attempt desired by the other bodies to establish such a system; that it is our belief that we possess the correct principles underlying such a system; that there are now in process of being worked out into their most perfect and simple forms; and that we could hardly be asked to enter into any new conjoint labors which would sacrifice these principles.

Resolved, That the Committee on Sunday-school Work be and is hereby instructed to continue the preparation, and the Publication Board the publication, of all Sunday-school apparatus now in use, and that the Board of Publication pay the same amounts, at the same times as heretofore to the committee for expenses, as provided for by the Council in past years.

2. That the action of the Council, authorizing the Committee to publish such other literature as in the judgment of the Committee will prove financially justifiable, be reaffirmed.

3. That the action of the Council, two years ago, giving the Committee authority to make such changes in all new editions of its apparatus as it may deem advisable, be reaffirmed.

4. That the issue of the joint Sunday-school paper be continued, and that the Committee and Board be authorized to unite with the publishing houses of other Lutheran bodies in continuing the issue of such a paper, upon terms clear and explicit, each Committee and Board to keep its issue strictly under its own control.

Respectfully submitted,

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK COMMITTEE.

The report, with its recommendations, was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. Dr. Ohl presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DEACONESS WORK.

Since the last convention of this venerable Council the Lutheran deaconess cause in this country has suffered a severe loss in the death of the chairman of your committee, Prof. Adolph Spaeth, D.D., LL.D. His thorough theological training, his broad grasp of the diaconate in all its aspects, his personal relations to other leaders in this cause both here and abroad, his direct connection with the successful transplanting of the Lutheran diaconate to this country in 1884, and his continued intimate and important relations to the Philadelphia Motherhouse and the diaconate in our Church in general, especially as President of the American Conference of Lutheran Motherhouses from its organization in 1896 until his death, made him the unquestioned authority on this work in its manifold relations, so that in some respects the loss suffered by his death is irreparable.

The following are the statistics of the Lutheran Deaconess Houses in the United States, July 15, 1911, as far as your Committee has been able to ascertain them with a reasonable degree of accuracy:

	Deaconesses.	Probationers.	Total.	Candidates.	Total.	Stations and Forms of Labor.
Philadelphia	56	22	78	2	80	16
Brooklyn	5	8	13	3	16	2
Minneapolis	14	20	34	15	49	5
Omaha	31	11	42	4	46	12
Milwaukee	25	11	36	3	39	8
Baltimore	20	17	37	..	37	14
Chicago	21	33	54	8	62	13
St. Paul	12	10	22	4	26	4
*Brush, Colo.	..	3	3	1	4	3
*Sioux City, Ia.	1	..	1	1	2	1
	185	135	320	41	361	78

*Statistics of 1910.

The stations and forms of labor embrace 23 parishes, 19 hospitals, 8 homes for the aged, 8 orphans' homes, 5 foreign mission points, 4 Christian kindergartens, 2 homes for invalids, 1 dispensary for the treatment of tuberculosis, 1 sanatorium for consumptives, 1 Christian settlement, 1 girls' school, 1 institution for epileptics, 1 rescue home, 1 immigrant mission, 1 women's hospice, and 1 women's college hall.

By comparison with the report to this body at its last convention it will be seen that, excluding candidates, the work has during the past two years remained almost stationary. When it is remembered that more than a quarter of a century has elapsed since the deaconess cause first became permanently rooted in the Lutheran Church of this land, we may well ask, Why this slow growth? Various reasons are assigned. By some it is contended that too many sisters are employed in hospital work, and that women who confuse deaconess work with trained nurse work, and who are possibly somewhat commercially inclined, will take up the latter in preference to the former for the gains that it will bring them. Again it is maintained that in America there are so many other avenues open to women that only a comparatively small number are willing to devote themselves to a life of pure mercy. Possibly the chief reason that so few women respond to the urgent appeals of the motherhouses is to be found in those objections urged against the deaconess calling that have their ground in dense ignorance of its nature and functions. Once it is the habit worn by sisters that serves as the point of attack; then it is in all seriousness affirmed that when one becomes a deaconess she severs all connection with her family and the outside world, and becomes a sort of nun immured in an institution resembling a convent; and again it is supposed that at consecration an irrevocable vow is exacted, and that henceforth freedom and joy can have no place in a sister's life. Not only are such false views quite common among our people, but it must be regretfully said that many pastors are not much better informed.

Your Committee is not willing to admit that the quality of piety among our Lutheran women in America is inferior to that of Lutheran women in Europe. On the contrary we believe, that, when once the deaconess cause is properly understood throughout the length and breadth of our American Church, it will attract women in numbers almost equal to those of the European motherhouses. But to bring about this result it is above all necessary that pastors take an intelligent interest in the cause. Not only should they familiarize themselves with its literature, and come to realize what vast service deaconesses can render at many places and in many ways; but they should make use of every opportunity in public and in private to win properly qualified women for a work that yields such blessed results. Thus, e. g., in catechetical instruction no better point of contact could be found to impress the thought of service in Christ's name and for Christ's sake than Luther's explanation of the Second Article of the Creed. And it is upon this thought of service that in these days special stress must be laid. The conditions of modern life that bring a multitude of social and physical ills into existence call loudly upon the Church to do her share towards the

alleviation of these. Over against purely humanitarian efforts it is pre-eminently her business, as the Lord made it His, to minister both to the spiritual and physical needs of men; and in this work the Church and her ministry of the Word can have no more efficient agency than the female diaconate. When today so many other women are, out of purely humanitarian motives, attracted to "schools of philanthropy," and take up so-called "social service" as a life-work, there must certainly also be scores and hundreds within the bosom of the Church who, out of love to their Lord and His needy ones, would offer themselves for a service so distinctly Christian as that of the female diaconate, when once they are taught and have grasped its meaning.

As a means of furthering this ministry of mercy, your Committee, therefore, urges upon all the pastors of the General Council to make a study of the history, character and purposes of the female diaconate, and to put forth the same efforts to win candidates for the motherhouses as they would to win men for the ministry of the Word. The rectors of the several motherhouses are always ready to accept invitations to present the cause before congregations; and to stimulate interest pastors located within convenient reach of a motherhouse will find it advantageous regularly to announce to their congregations the anniversary and other special services held by it, and now and then to organize parties to pay it a visit.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. Prof. L. D. Reed, Secretary, presented the

REPORT OF THE CHURCH BOOK COMMITTEE.

During the past two years the Church Book Committee has addressed itself most earnestly to the important work assigned it. Meetings were held in Philadelphia, Oct. 8, Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 1909; Feb. 15-16, May 11 and Nov. 1, 1910. The interest and earnestness of the members was shown by the fact that at no session were there less than twelve present.

At the first meeting, Dr. Spaeth was elected chairman, and Mr. Reed, secretary. Dr. Spaeth presided at all meetings until his death, June 25. 1910. At the following meeting the secretary was instructed to prepare a minute expressive of the loss sustained by the Committee in his death, and recording his eminent services for the Church in the liturgical field, which minute appeared in *The Lutheran,* Feb. 9, 1911. At this same meeting Dr. Jacobs was elected chairman.

Dr. Ludwig Holmes was in attendance at the last meeting, Nov. 1, 1910, but was very unwell and left before adjournment to go to the German Hospital. To the great shock and sorrow of his associates he died there less than a week later. An appropriate minute will doubtless be adopted at the next meeting.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

The resolutions of the General Council at Minneapolis (Minutes, 1909, pp. 100-101) directed the Committee to invite the official co-operation of the General Synod and the United Synod South in an effort to arrive at a full and perfect agreement which will permit the Common Service henceforth to be published and used in the three Bodies without a single variation; and also to enter upon a final revision of the proposed Common Hymnal, and to prepare a common, authorized musical setting for the same; and to print the Common Book, when prepared, from a standard set of plates.

As preliminary to this the Committee entered upon a thorough examination of the entire subject of a Common Book part by part, on the basis of work already accomplished. The first attention was given to the Liturgy. Sub-committees made careful examination of particular portions and reported to the full Committee. The final action embracing all recommendations to be laid before the Joint Committee was embodied in a booklet of 43 pages.

THE HYMNAL.

A Sub-committee, consisting of Dr. Jacobs, Dr. Ohl, Mr. Steimle and Mr. Reed, then entered upon a most thorough examination of the arrangement and contents of the Common Hymnal, largely upon the basis of exhaustive studies by Dr. Jacobs in the history, contents and textual readings of standard hymns, and upon a principle of arrangement suggested by Dr. Schmauk. This included not only the entire field of English Hymnody, but translations from the hymns of the Early Church, the Latin, German, Swedish, Danish and Icelandic. Every number in the files of *The Workman* and of *The Lutheran* since 1866 was searched for original hymns and acceptable translations by American Lutherans.

More than a dozen sessions of this Sub-committee were held in addition to a vast amount of work accomplished by individual members. The first report to the Church Book Committee filled a mimeographed booklet of 31 pages, and the second report one of 90 pages.

THE JOINT COMMITTEE.

The formal invitation to enter upon joint consideration of this work was cordially accepted by the representatives of the other Bodies. An extended correspondence on the subject was conducted with the brethren in the South, and the generous spirit of the United Synod was shown at the convention at Richmond in 1910, when, by an overwhelming majority, that Body declined to issue the musical edition of its present Hymnal, though the manuscript had been completed for months, and decided to enter heartily upon the joint project.

The Joint Committee met in Philadelphia, Nov. 1-2, 1910. The final recommendations of the Church Book Committee on the Hymnal were embodied in a book of 243 pages, which had been expressed in advance to all members of the Joint Committee. Five sessions were held, and the general plan proposed by the Church Book Committee met with very

cordial approval. Many items were finally determined, and many others were referred to a joint sub-committee on text for further investigation.

THE TEXT OF THE HYMNAL.

This latter Committee, on which the Church Book Committee representatives are Drs. Jacobs and Ohl, and Messrs. Reed and Schuchard, held many meetings at the Seminary, Mt. Airy, and accomplished a vast amount of work. Dozens of Hymnals and hundreds of hymns were studied critically with reference to contents, history and usage, and a minute comparison of the variations in text of all hymns approved by the Joint Committee was made.

The text of each hymn as given in twelve standard hymnals was studied and compared with the original text whenever that was accessible. The critical notes of Julian and other scholars were also studied and then a final text was recommended for adoption in the case of each individual hymn.

The results of this work, which has involved some members of the Sub-committee in an incalculable expenditure of time and labor, are now ready to be laid before the Joint Committee for final determination. An earnest effort was made to secure this meeting of the Joint Committee during the past summer, but this was found impossible owing to the conflicting engagements of various members of the different Bodies.

THE MUSIC OF THE COMMON BOOK.

A sub-committee of the Church Book Committee, consisting of Dr. Ohl and Messrs. Reed, Steimle, Rees and Haberland, has prepared a careful formulation of principles to be applied in the selection of music for the Liturgy and the Hymnal, and these have been adopted by the Church Book Committee. Together with the recommendations concerning the Liturgy, they will be submitted to the Joint Committee as soon as the latter shall have finally disposed of the arrangement, contents and text of the Hymnal.

THE COMPLETION OF THE WORK.

The Church Book Committee keenly appreciates the strong feeling throughout the Church for the speedy completion of this work, and it has labored earnestly to this end. It also realizes the tremendous importance and far-reaching influences of the present undertaking and the necessity for thorough work which will stand the test of time.

Impatience is checked, judgment is sobered and enthusiasm steadied, even though deepened, when we realize that never before in any land or century has the Lutheran Church attempted to prepare a Service Book and Hymnal of such comprehensive character to meet the needs of its congregations and homes throughout such a vast extent of territory as that contemplated in the present undertaking. The need for immediate results is urgent, but the need for thorough, constructive achievement that shall educate and elevate, edify and unify the English Lutheran

Church in America is even more urgent. Great progress has already been made in securing the most cordial and earnest co-operation of the three Bodies, as well as in the actual work itself accomplished, and your Committee pledges its most faithful efforts toward the full and final realization of the great undertaking.

LUTHER D. REED,
Secretary Church Book Committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Horn, it was

Resolved, That Part I of Unfinished Business (in the Executive Committee's Report) relating to the Church Book be referred to the Church Book Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Ochsenford presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

The Committee on Statistics presents the following summary of statistics of the Synods connected with the General Council for the year 1910, the data for 1911 being not yet available.

Following are the statistics of the District Synods: 13 Synods, 1,590 ministers, 2,461 congregations, 479,575 communicant members, an increase of 34 ministers, 45 congregations, and 7,691 communicant members, as compared with the figures given for the year 1909. The value of church property reported amounts to $28,388,301.00, and the total benevolence for the year 1910 amounted to $519,093.55. In the congregations of Synods connected with this body, there are 594 parochial schools, with 748 teachers and 26,588 pupils, only five Synods reporting; and 2,132 Sunday-schools, with 28,874 officers and teachers, 260,466 scholars, 329 congregations failing to report in reference to this item. The membership of the Sunday-schools seems insignificantly small when compared with the communicant membership of the congregations, suggesting either a failure to report this item, or a lack of interest in some congregations in this important branch of church work. More care in filling out statistical reports and a greater uniformity in the method of reporting are necessary to bring the statistics of this body to anything approximating accuracy.

In connection with the Synods of the General Council, or under church control, are, according to the latest reports, 3 Theological Seminaries, 7 Colleges, 8 Academies, 1 School for Girls, 15 Orphans' Homes, 13 Homes for the Aged, 2 Homes for Defectives, 4 Deaconess Motherhouses, 9 Hospitals, 5 Hospices, 6 Immigrant and Seamen's Missions, and 3 City Missions and Rescue Leagues.

The Educational Institutions, numbering 19, aggregate property valued at $2,234,500, endowment amounting to $853,700, a total of $3,088,200, employing 227 professors and instructors and having 3,583 students, of whom 386 have the ministry in view.

The Charitable Institutions, numbering 54, exclusive of the City Missions which report no statistics, aggregate property valued at $2,392,937, endowment amounting to $174,840, a total of $2,567,777, and caring for 24,298 inmates.

This shows a total value of property and endowment for educational and charitable purposes amounting to $5,655,977.00, a sum of $38,905 less than for the year 1909, indicating, apparently, an inaccuracy in the data furnished for report.

The General Council statistics in tabular form for insertion in the Minutes, giving the figures for 1910, are herewith submitted.

Your Committee submits the following recommendations:

1. That a copy of the printed Minutes of each of the District Synods connected with this body be sent annually to the Chairman of the Committee on Statistics, for use in preparing the report on statistics.

2. That the attention of the District Synods be called to the importance of full and complete reports concerning the membership of congregations and schools, as well as concerning the value of church property and the benevolent contributions of the congregations.

3. That the attention of this body be called to the importance of a uniform method of reporting statistics, in order to produce greater accuracy in the matter of statistics, both with reference to the congregations and institutions of the Church.

4. We recommend the publication, by the Board of Publication, of a Statistical Year-Book, either annually or biennially, which shall furnish accurate and complete statistics of the General Council concerning its Synods, congregations, institutions, missions, and all other activities in which this body is engaged.

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. Ochsenford,
W. L. Hunton.

The fourth recommendation was referred back to the Committee, and the report, with its other recommendations, was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. Dr. Ochsenford presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNIFORM STATISTICS.

Your Committee on Uniform Statistics hereby submits a Parochial Form for your consideration. There will be difficulty in making the report uniform since the different Synods not only use different languages but have conditions which call for special work within their bounds which may not exist in a sister Synod. The form inquires for an answer to all the congregation's activity and finances, and if faithfully filled out will help to make a uniform report of the Synods composing the General Council.

Parochial Report for the Year Ending

CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS.

Name and Address of—Index number, Parish and Pastor, Congregation, Location, When organized.

Membership—Baptized, Confirmed or entitled to commune, Communed during the year.

Accessions—Infant baptism, Adult baptism, Confirmation, Transfer or letter, Reinstatement.

Losses—Death, Transfer, Removal, Exclusion.

SCHOOLS.

Sunday-school—Number of G. C. graded schools, Number of ungraded schools, Teachers and officers, Scholars, Current expenses, Benevolence.

Parochial—Number of days, Teachers, Pupils, Current expenses.

Kindergarten—Number of days, Teachers, Pupils, Current expenses.

SOCIETIES.

Men's—Number, Membership, Current expenses, Benevolence.

Women's—Number, Membership, Current expenses, Benevolence.

Young People's—Number, Membership, Current expenses, Benevolence.

Catechumens—Candidates for the ministry, Candidates for deaconess, Students in Lutheran institutions, Students in Non-Lutheran institutions.

Congregational Finances and Benevolent Contributions.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Index Number—Value of church property, Value of parsonage, Amount of endowment, Current expenses—Salaries, etc., Special expenses—Building, repairing, paving, etc., (a), Total expenses.

SYNODICAL.

Synodical expenses, Theological Seminary, Colleges, Beneficiary education, Orphans, Disabled Ministers' Fund, Inner Mission.

GENERAL COUNCIL.

Home Missions, English, German, Swedish, Foreign Missions, Porto Rico, Slav Missions, Jewish Missions, Church Extension, Board of Education, Immigrant Mission.

GENERAL.

Local charity, (b), other purposes.

SUMMARY.

Total of all benevolence (c), Total of all current expenses, Total of all special expenses, Grand total.

EXPLANATIONS.

(a) Special expenses—Any expenditures that may not occur annually in connection with the ordinary routine of church work and church repairs, for instance, repairing, building new churches, street paving, etc. This should not include insurance or interest.

(b) Local charity includes the gifts to the parish poor, the various relief societies and hospitals, dispensaries, etc.

(c) All Synodical and General Council money for benevolence should be sent through the Synodical Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN D. CRILE, *Chairman.*
W. L. HUNTON,
S. E. OCHSENFORD.

The report was accepted and spread upon the minutes.

On motion of E. Aug. Miller, Esq., it was

Resolved, That we call upon the Synods to furnish their statistics as promptly as possible, not later than August 1st, of the biennium, and that we authorize the committee to expend such sum as may be needed in the case.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Frick, it was

Resolved, That the duty of collecting the mission statistics published as an Appendix to the Minutes be transferred from the English Recording Secretary to the Committee on Statistics.

2. That the Synodical Secretaries be requested to furnish copies of their Minutes to the President and Secretaries of the General Council.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Haas, it was

Resolved, That we express our cordial appreciation of the generous entertainment given us by Trinity Church, and the tireless labors of its pastor, Dr. Whitteker, to make the convention successful; that we express our sympathy with him in his illness caused by overwork, but also rejoice at the evidence of his recovery.

The Committee to examine the historical portion of the Kropp Commission's Report reported favorably. See Sixth Session.

RESULT OF BOARD ELECTIONS.

The Rev. Mr. Bieber reported the result of the elections for members of the various Boards. A second ballot was necessary for a member of the Slav Board.

I. Board of English Home Missions.

Rev. John E. Whitteker, D.D.
" George W. Sandt, D.D.
Mr. Antonius C. Albrecht
Mr. William H. Hager.
" Frank D. Bittner
Albert G. Webber, Esq.
E. Augustus Miller, Esq.

II. Board of German Home Missions.

Rev. C. Reinhold Tappert
" Emil J. Kraeling
" John J. Kuendig, D.D.
" Gottlieb C. Berkemeier, D.D.
" Hugo R. Erdmann
" Gustave A. Benze, D.D.
" Emil Hoffmann, D.D.
" H. D. E. Siebott
Rev. Philip Kirchner
Mr. Frederick Kracke
" Martin Wulff
" George F. Anger
" Ernest G. Muncke
" Adam Leib
" John A. Prigge

III. Board of Swedish Home Missions.

Rev. Lawrence A. Johnston, D.D.
" Gustave A. Brandelle, D.D.
" Lars G. Abrahamson, D.D.
" P. J. Brodine, D.D.
" Prof. C. E. Lindberg, D.D.
Rev. S. G. Haegglund
Prof. Claude W. Foss, Ph.D.
Mr. Christian A. Larson
" August Hanson
" Andrew Peterson

IV. Board of Foreign Missions.

Rev. Lars G. Abrahamson, D.D.
" George C. F. Haas, D.D.
" William E. Frey
" Fritz Jacobson, Ph.D.
Mr. B. Frank Cressman
Hon. Frank M. Riter
Mr. A. Raymond Bard
" Robert E. Gaskell

V. Porto Rico Board.

Rev. Edmund Belfour, D.D.
" William J. Miller, D.D.
" J. L. Smith, D.D.
" Alfred Appell
" Morton Parson
Mr. W. Warren Wattles
" William Steinmeyer
" J. S. Seaman
" Charles W. Fuhr

VI. Board of Publication.

Rev. Samuel A. Ziegenfuss, D.D.
" Charles J. Cooper, D.D.
" John W. Horine
Mr. Charles B. Opp
" James G. Finley

VII. Board of Immigrant Missions.

Rev. Geo. C. F. Haas, D.D.
" Alexander Richter
" J. A. Weyl
" Daniel W. Peterson
" John J. Heischmann, D.D.
" William T. Junge.
" J. C. Rudolph Luehrs
" Jacob W. Loch, Ph.D.
Rev. Hugo W. Hoffmann, Ph.D.
" Fred Sutter
Mr. John H. Boschen
" Martin Wulff
" Frederick Kracke
" Peter Reppenhagen
" Wm. C. Hauff

VIII. Board of Slav Missions.

Rev. Gustave A. Benze, D.D.
" Earnest A. Trabert
" Hugo R. Erdmann
" Wilson M. Rehrig, Ph.D.
" Karol Salva
Rev. E. A. Erickson
Mr. Charles A. Worsley
" Harry E. Young
" Thos. L. Schaeffer

IX. Board of Education.

Rev. Prof. John A. W. Haas, D.D.
" Prof. Gustav A. Andreen, Ph.D.
" Frederick A. Kaehler, D.D.
" Prof. Revere F. Weidner, LL.D.
Rev. Prof. C. Theodore Benze, D.D.
" Prof. Conrad E. Lindberg, D.D.
" E. F. Keever
" J. A. Weyl

The Rev. Dr. C. T. Benze reported the

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICIAL VISITORS.

To the General Synod.—Rev. George W. Sandt, D.D., Primarius; Rev. John E. Whitteker, D.D., Secundus.

To the United Synod South.—Rev. John C. Seegers, D.D., Primarius; Rev. William L. Hunton, Ph.D., Secundus.

To the Icelandic Synod.—Rev. L. A. Johnston, D.D., Primarius; Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D.D., Secundus.

To the German Synod of Iowa.—Rev. E. T. Horn, D.D., Primarius; Rev. T. E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., Secundus.

C. Theodore Benze,
Edwin F. Keever,
Geo. F. Greiner.

The report was adopted and nominees elected.

The Rev. Dr. Pfatteicher presented the Report of Committee to Examine the Constitution of the Board of Education. See Sixth Session.

The Rev. Dr. G. A. Benze presented the Report of the Committee on Synodical Minutes and Abstracts. See First Session.

The Rev. A. J. Reichert presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STUDENT LIFE IN NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

During the past biennium the subject of the spiritual care of students at institutions of higher education has been occupying the foremost place in the consideration of the American religious bodies. It has led to the appointment of "university pastors" and the erection of denominational

chapels, guild houses and dormitories, and the foundation of lectureships and Bible chairs. The Presbyterian Church has made the greatest progress, having nine university pastors and one deaconess at work. Next are the Roman Catholics who have established six pastorates and built three costly university chapels.

Your committee appointed to keep the General Council in line with this forward movement has been actively engaged during the biennium in studying and meeting the situation as instructed (Minutes of General Council Meeting in 1909, page 224) in the Northwest. Several meetings were held, and work was undertaken at the Universities of Wisconsin and Minnesota. At the former, the Rev. Howard R. Gold has been under commission during the entire period, at the latter, the Rev. G. Rast, D.D., during the past year.

In this new field of church activity much of the work of the committee and its agents has been preliminary—a work of exploration and education. Through mission churches established near the university communities and by personal work, valuable experience has been gained and some very effective work accomplished. To finance the work the committee used circulars in English and in Swedish by which means the sum of $518.68 was secured from individuals, congregations, Luther Leagues, etc. But this has been insufficient to cover our obligations to the university pastors, and this shortage has embarrassed the committee and handicapped its agents.

A brief summary of the activities follows:

At Madison.—The pastor assisted in a religious census of the students. Congregation gave receptions to students and faculty. Calling. Lectures and sermons in Holy Trinity Church, by President J. A. W. Haas, D.D., the Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D., and the Rev. Wm. Eckert. The Rev. Charles L. Fry, D.D., conducted a four weeks' mission. Lectures on the campus by President Haas, Rev. Wm. Eckert and Judge Peter S. Grosscup. Bulletins issued: "The Lutheran Student"; "Some Reasons for a Representative Lutheran Church and Home at the University of Wisconsin," by the advisory commitee of prominent Lutherans. Dr. Haas' lecture on "The Reality of the Unseen" printed and distributed. With other University pastors gave two series of lectures at the Y. M. C. A. Hall. Three members of committee participated in the third Annual Conference of Church Workers in State Universities held at Madison, February 15-17, 1910. Dr. Haas addressed this Conference on "The Relation of the University Pastor to the College of his Denomination." This address was pronounced one of the very best contributions to the program. Pastor co-operated with others in concducting a Summer School of Religion (two years) and with the College of Agriculture in conducting a Country Life Conference. At the former Revs. Wm. Eckert and J. A. Aasgaard gave addresses, at the latter Rev. Aasgaard. Bible classes for students in church. Pastor directed students to other Lutheran churches. Members of congregation entertained students, especially on holidays. Students engaged in church work and in calling on fellow students in connection with church work.

The pastor as religious adviser and friend to students has rendered much helpful service which cannot be tabulated.

At Minneapolis.—A different condition of affairs exists at the University of Minnesota. The University itself provides a student pastor for the whole work under whom denominational pastors must in a measure work. The religious registration misleading. There are more Lutherans than record themselves as such. Our university pastor, Dr. Rast, was hindered after Christmas by his wife's illness, but prior to that he had canvassed the Lutheran students and began a course of lectures on "Biblical and Religious Questions" in the Y. M. C. A. To his Swedish circulars for financial aid there was meagre response. One hundred copies of Dr. Haas' pamphlet were distributed. The first year was therefore but the breaking of the ground. Nevertheless quite a number of students have been helpfully reached and directed to Lutheran churches.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That the committee be known hereafter as the Committee on Religious Work in Universities and Colleges.
2. That its scope be enlarged to cover the whole field of the General Council.
3. That its headquarters be Minneapolis.
4. That the sum of $3,500 be annually apportioned among the Synods for this specific work.

A. J. REICHERT, *Chairman.*

After several amendments incorporated in the recommendations the report was adopted as a whole.

For apportionments see Index.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. C. L. Fry, it was

Resolved, That the Synods be requested to pay whatever part of the traveling expenses of their delegates to the conventions of the General Council they can afford.

The English Recording Secretary read the

REPORT OF OFFICIAL VISITOR TO GENERAL SYNOD.

Mr. President:—As the General Council's Visitor to the General Synod, I beg leave to present the following report:

The General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America, held its 45th Convention in Washington, D. C., June 7-14, 1911. It was the first time your delegate had the opportunity of studying that august body at close range; and he was profoundly impressed with the method and spirit that marked the sessions at which he was able to be present. There was an earnestness and an enthusiasm and a steadiness of purpose which suggested strength and stability, and inspired confidence as to definite and desirable outcomes.

1. The general causes of the Church were taken up in the usual order—Home and Foreign Missions, Educational and Benevolent Work, and the like; and the equipment in all departments, together with the manifest advancement in these great enterprises, showed that they had the hearty endorsement of the people whose combined gifts had made their progress possible. The simple fact that upwards of $300,000 constitutes the sum of annual apportionments, at the per capita rate of $1.36, indicates the largeness of the Church's interests and the generous giving of those who support them.

2. There were several items that interested your Visitor, two of which impressed him as being specially significant:

(a) A resolution was adopted, after a spirited debate, looking to the establishment of a Weekly General Synod Organ, to take the place of "The Observer," "The World," and like periodicals, and amalgamate them into one, thus sending a uniform message into all their homes.

(b) The most important action, and the one in which this body is most interested, is the proposed change in the General Synod's Constitution, which would add two new articles to that document. The first Amendment declares that the General Synod "receives and holds the Unaltered Augsburg Confession as a correct exhibition of the Faith and Doctrine," etc. The second Amendment formally recognizes the other Symbolical Books "as expositions of Lutheran doctrine of great historical and interpretative value, and especially commends the Small Catechism as a book of instruction." These Amendments, by the recommendation of the committee, will go down to the District Synods before the General Body incorporates them in its doctrinal basis.

3. The difficult and delicate task fell to your delegate of bringing to the notice of the General Synod complaints relative to the Home Mission situation. By a plain statement of facts and an earnest endeavor to speak the truth in love, he was enabled to secure assurances of immediate attention to all points of dispute—assurances which are being met as rapidly as conditions warrant. It will indeed be a happy outcome if a joint commission from the two bodies will meet and arbitrate all matters of difference that are distracting them both in this time of intense Home Mission activity.

To conclude: Your Visitor wishes to record the hearty welcome he received from the General Synod and its estimable President, and the courteous hearing that was given the message which he delivered in your name. It gave evidence of the profound respect that the General Synod has for this venerable body, and its desire to maintain the most cordial relations with it.

Thanking the General Council for the honor of the appointment, and trusting that its purpose has been properly carried into effect.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. Whitteker.

The report was received and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

The Rev. Dr. Keiter presented the

REPORT OF THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE.

The Committee of the General Council appointed to meet with a similar committee of the General Synod, to arbitrate certain matters in dispute relative to the interpretation of terms in the compact made by the General Synod and the General Council in 1895 and 1897, as well as to arbitrate such alleged infringements of said compact by the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod, would respectfully report:

That a meeting of the Commission was held on Monday, September 18, 1911, in the chapel of Trinity Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

The representatives of the General Synod were as follows: Rev. Dr. M. W. Hamma, Springfield, Ohio; Rev. Dr. S. W. Owen, Hagerstown, Md.; Rev. Dr. W. H. Dunbar, Baltimore; Rev. C. F. Steck, Washington, D. C.; Rev. Dr. E. K. Bell, Baltimore; Rev. Dr. J. S. Simon, Hagerstown, Pa.; Rev. Dr. M. S. Cressman, Lewistown, Pa.; Rev. Dr. F. P. Manhart, Selinsgrove, Pa.; Rev. Dr. L. Kuhlman, Gettysburg, Pa.; Judge P. S. Grosscup, Chicago; Mr. Arthur King, Middletown, Pa. The representatives of the General Council were the Rev. Dr. W. D. C. Keiter, Allentown, Pa.; Rev. H. A. Weller, Orwigsburg, Pa.; Rev. Dr. L. A. Johnston, St. Paul, Minn.; Prof. C. W. Foss, Ph.D., Rock Island; Rev. Dr. G. J. Gongaware, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Rev. Edwin F. Keever, Utica, N. Y.; Rev. Dr. S. G. Weiskotten, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Prof. O. F. H. Bert, Rev. N. R. Melhorn, Philadelphia; Dr. L. G. Abrahamson, Rock Island, Ill., and Hon. F. M. Riter, Philadelphia.

The Commission organized by appointing Rev. W. D. C. Keiter, D.D., chairman, and Rev. Dr. F. P. Manhart, secretary. After the exchange of greetings, each party to the Commission presented their credentials, following which Dr. Hamma, on behalf of the General Synod, stated that their committee deemed it essential for the successful carrying on of the work of co-operation in the future, that the Commission first define clearly the terms of the compact of 1895 and 1897, and more particularly the word "field" framed in the wording of the original resolution. He further submitted a paper in which it was stated that his Synod held that the word "field" meant a village, hamlet, small city, or community, and asked that this interpretation be adopted by the Commission. Your Committee replied that this contention was, in their opinion, neither in accordance with the facts in the case nor in harmony with the principles underlying our work. A lengthy debate followed. Upon recommendation of a sub-committee composed of three members of each of the General Committees, the following resolution was finally adopted:

Whereas, In the course of time questions have arisen concerning the interpretation of the word "field" in the compact and regulations for co-operation, concluded in 1895 and 1897, therefore be it

Resolved, First, That in the territory conjointly occupied by two General Bodies, wherever one body of the Lutheran Church hereunto consenting is in occupation of a field, (a village or town or small city or a community, so occupied by one of the General Bodies, as not to leave room for an additional congregation; or in a case where it would overlap the natural parish bounds of congregations already in existence, or interfere with their work), and when it is shown to be in a reasonable measure able to care for our Lutheran material therein, the other or others shall respect such occupancy and abstain from any attempt to plant an additional congregation (to operate in the same language), and that in case of any disagreement, the Home Mission Boards or Committees of the Bodies concerned shall seek to amicably adjust such differences. And in case of inability to effect such adjustment, the case be referred for final settlement to the Joint Commission of the Bodies.

Resolved, Second, That in territory not yet jointly occupied by the negotiating bodies in this compact, the word "field" shall be construed as applying to certain large territories to be fixed and agreed upon by this joint commission and definitely bounded by territorial lines.

This action was adopted as a basis for a future meeting at which specific lines are to be drawn in the Home Mission field not yet occupied jointly by the General Bodies.

It is recommended that this action be approved by the Council, and that the Committee of the Council be empowered to complete the work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. C. KEITER, *Chairman.*
H. A. WELLER, *Secretary.*

The report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Weller, it was

Resolved, 1. That the expenses of the Committee of Arbitration be paid out of the treasury of the General Council.

2. That hereafter, where the Arbitration Committee sits in behalf of a particular Board, the Board shall pay the expenses of said Committee.

3. That, where the Commission is called to arbitrate an appeal from General Synod sources, in such case the expense be taken from the treasury of the Council.

The Rev. Dr. Kaehler presented a series of

RESOLUTIONS FOR EXPEDITING BUSINESS.

In order to expedite the work of the General Council in the future, be it *Resolved,* That the Boards and Committees hereafter send in their reports, without recommendations, to the English Recording Secretary of

the General Council at least one month before the convening of the Council.

2. That the English Recording Secretary of the General Council send out a bulletin or booklet to the secretaries of Synods ten days in advance of the convention.

3. That the Synods be required to furnish to the President and Secretary of the General Council a complete list of at least two-thirds of their delegates without the alternates two weeks prior to the opening of the convention.

4. That the Recommendations of future reports be presented in writing on the floor of the convention.

5. That the Synods fill in the remaining third of their delegation up to the morning of the second day by presenting their credentials to the President.

6. That a committee be appointed on abstracts who shall work during the sessions of the convention and issue these abstracts, after they have been approved by the President, within a few days subsequent to the final adjournment of the General Council.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Horn, it was

Resolved, That this action is to be construed as requiring the omission of resolutions recommending action from all the printed reports, distributed in advance of the convention of the Council.

The resolutions were then adopted as a whole.

For Report of Committee on General Council Women's Missionary Society, see Second Session.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. F. A. Kaehler, it was

Resolved, That the General Council express its grateful appreciation of the very excellent and full reports of the proceedings of this convention given by the local papers as well as by the Associated Press.

The Executive Committee's Report of Unfinished Business was examined, and after a reference of the items on Church Book to the Church Book Committee, it was found that the remaining items were covered by the reports and action taken at this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. J. Fry, it was

Resolved, That the expression of thanks to Trinity people and the city of Lancaster, to which the President has just given utterance, be recorded as the sense of this convention.

THANKS TO TRINITY CHURCH.

The General Council desires to express its grateful appreciation and its most hearty thanks to the pastor of Trinity Church, Lancaster, for the perfection of the arrangements which he has instituted for the entertainment of this Convention, and for the indefatigable zeal with which he has striven to bring about effectiveness in its work and comfort to its membership; also to the congregation for the hospitality it has extended to the General Council on a scale hitherto unparalleled; and finally to the beautiful and historic city of Lancaster, to its public institutions, its press and its people, all of whom have given this General Council of the Lutheran Church a most open-hearted welcome.

THE PACIFIC SYNOD'S THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. M. E. Boulton, President of the Pacific Synod, presented the following written statement concerning the Theological Seminary at Portland:

The Lutheran Theological Seminary and Academy of the Pacific Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church hereby asks for the endorsement and encouragement of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, in convention assembled.

By authority of a resolution of Synod adopted at its convention in June, 1910, the Seminary was opened in Portland, Oregon, October 15, 1910.

The doctrinal basis of the Seminary is in perfect harmony with that of the General Council.

The Constitution, with rules and regulations governing the Seminary, is the same as those adopted by the other Seminaries of our General Council.

As may be seen from our Catalogue, it is our aim to have students completing the course offered in our Seminary, supplement such preparation with one or two years in any one of our General Council Seminaries in the East.

While we do not ask financial aid of the General Council as such, we feel that as a District Synod of this body, we can not be deprived of asking aid from individuals and also from congregations in the East.

Because of the imperative need of such an institution on the territory of the Pacific Synod we beg your favorable action, at this time, on this application.

M. E. Boulton.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Jacobs, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Education be instructed to take into consideration the items in the above report, specifying requirements to be made of such educational institutions as are to receive the formal approval of the General Council.

On motion of Mr. W. M. Mearig, it was

Resolved, That in reference to the Seminary of the Pacific Synod, the President of the General Council at this meeting appoint a committee whose action, when approved by the President, shall be final.

On motion of Mr. W. M. Mearig, it was

Resolved, That one-half of the car-fare of the delegates from the Nova Scotia, Pacific, and Manitoba Synods be paid out of the treasury of the General Council.

REPORT OF ARCHIVIST.

The response to the request of the Archivist, calling upon the secretaries of the Synods to complete the files of the Minutes of their respective Synods, in order that the General Council may have in its possession a full record of synodical proceedings from the beginning, has been exceedingly meager during the past biennium. Nor has there been a single addition to the archives of documentary matter of historic value. There is nothing left for your archivist to do but to renew his request of two years ago. To reveal how incomplete the record of synodical minutes in the archives is, the following table is herewith given:

Pennsylvania Ministerium, no Minutes.
New York Ministerium, 1909.
Pittsburgh Synod, 1845 to 1905, excepting 1864 to 1869, 1875, 1881 and 1882.
District Synod of Ohio, 1906 and 1910.
Augustana Synod, no Minutes.
Canada Synod, 1909 and 1910.
Chicago Synod, 1871 to 1895 (as Indiana Synod) and 1909.
Northwest Synod, 1891 to 1908.
Manitoba Synod, no Minutes.
Pacific Synod, no Minutes.
New York and New England, complete to 1907.
Nova Scotia Synod, no Minutes.
Central Canada Synod, no Minutes.

The importance of having complete files of the minutes of all the Synods composing the General Council is so apparent as to make the above incomplete record a strong appeal to the officers of the various Synods, and to friends having complete files, to supply the deficiency. Hence the request of two years ago is earnestly renewed.

GEO. W. SANDT, *Archivist.*

The report was accepted, and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. J. Fry, it was

Resolved, That the President appoint the Standing Committees at his leisure.

For Standing Committees see the Directory.

WORK AMONG THE ITALIANS.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That five minutes be allowed the Rev. Ernest R. Cassaday, of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, to present the Italian Lutheran work in that city.

Resolved, That this cause be referred to the Board of Slav Missions.

REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH BOOK AND LITERATURE SOCIETY.

To the President and Members of the General Council:

Reverend Fathers and Dear Brethren:—The "Lutheran Church Book and Literature Society" respectfully submits the following report to you for your consideration:

Since the last report, made two years ago, the Society has made a determined effort to increase its membership and the effort has been so successful that 300 new members were enrolled. The larger the membership of the Society the more efficient and far-reaching will be its work and we ask your co-operation in still further enlarging the number of contributors.

During the same period of time, 322 Church Books and 22 Sunday-school Books have been distributed, making a total of 1,116 Church Books and 228 Sunday-school Books that have been sent to 44 missions and 6 institutions of mercy.

The sale of tracts has continued, and the four issued by the Society have reached a combined circulation of 96,900 copies.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Mattes, *Corresponding Secretary.*

The report was received and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

The Rev. Dr. George C. F. Haas presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC.

Your Committee suffered a great and irreparable loss in the decease of its chairman, Dr. Spaeth, who was not only an expert in the knowledge of, but also enthusiastic in the furtherance of good church music. Owing to this loss in the ranks of the Committee and to other causes, no Convocation was held during the past two years and no additional anthems have been published. It is indeed a question in the mind of your Committee, whether in the present state of musical culture, or perhaps rather

lack of culture, in our choirs, it would pay to publish additional anthems of the same kind. The sub-committee charged with drawing up a list of churchly anthems already in print, has made some progress and will be ready to report such a list in time for Advent.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. F. HAAS, *Chairman.*

The report was accepted and spread on the minutes.

The Rev. Dr. Hunton presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION.

Through the active effort of the Rev. A. C. Anda the Chicago member of the Committee, the details of rates and routes for those in the West were secured and published.

It was found to be impractical to secure "Convention Rates" and those able to secure "clergy rates" were advised to take advantage of these. This includes a very large percentage of the delegation. For all others either "Mileage" or "Seashore Excursion Rates" according to the time and plans of the individual, were the most desirable forms of transportation.

Those who desired could, through the activity of the Rev. Anda, have the privilege of traveling together and have a 'Private Car' at their disposal. The published instructions, if followed, have saved much individual investigation.

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was accepted and spread on the minutes.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE 1913 CONVENTION.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. J. Fry, it was

Resolved, That the time be the second Thursday in September, 1913.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Frick, it was

Resolved, That, prior to the meeting of the Council, the President shall appoint a committee of three, of which he shall be chairman, to prepare a program for all the services, meetings, and social gatherings in connection with the convention of the Council, the committee to co-operate with the pastor loci.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the invitation of St. Matthew's Church, Toledo, Ohio, to meet in its church in 1913 be accepted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That 2,500 copies of the Minutes be printed.

VOTE OF THANKS TO THE PRESIDENT.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Berkemeier, it was

Resolved, That we express our highest appreciation of the very efficient manner in which our honored President, the Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., has presided over the sessions of this convention of the General Council. It is largely owing to his tact and energy, to his unfailing courtesy and fairness that this convention was so eminently successful. We would also express our profound gratitude for the continuous and uninterrupted vigilance exercised by our President over the affairs of our General Council, and for his faithful and self-sacrificing work for our Lutheran Church.

The minutes of the closing Session were read and adopted.

At 1 P. M. of the sixth day of the Convention, the General Council adjourned, the brethren uniting in singing "A Mighty Fortress is our God," the Rev. Fritz Jacobson, Ph.D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., by appointment of the President, closing the Convention according to the Order for Closing of Synods.

"Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

"Unto Him be Glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

WILLIAM KELLER FRICK,
English Recording Secretary.

SPECIAL SERVICES AND MEETINGS.

Wednesday Afternoon, Sept. 13.—Conference of the Laymen of the General Council, at Martin Auditorium.

2.00 P. M.—Business Session.

"The Presentation of the Jubilee Plan," by Mr. E. Clarence Miller, of Philadelphia.

"How Can the General Council Improve its Methods of Work?" by Mr. David H. Rankin, Penn Station, Pa.

"There must be a spirit of greater loyalty toward the General Council by all the Synods and Delegates they elect to represent them," by Mr. William M. Mearig, New Holland.

"Hand in hand with this movement for a Unified National Body there should go a greater loyalty toward, and a deeper working interest in, our many Congregational and Synodical activities," by Mr. Frank D. Bittner, Allentown, Pa.

Wednesday Evening, Sept. 13, 7.30 P. M.—The Laymen's Mass Meeting.

"The General Council should have an adequate Ministerial Pension Fund," by Hon. Frank N. Riter, Philadelphia.

"How can we meet our growing Home Mission Needs?" by E. Aug. Miller, Esq., Philadelphia.

"How can we measure up to our great Foreign Mission Needs?" by Hon. G. A. Baldwin, Rochester, Pa.

"Educational Work the material foundation of the Church's activities," by Prof. O. H. F. Bert, Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa.

"The Laymen's Opportunity," by the Rev. Dr. T. E. Schmauk, President of the General Council.

Thursday Morning, Sept. 14.—Opening Service.

Morning service preceded by the Confessional Service. Conducted by the Vice-Presidents and Secretaries of the General Council.

Sermon by the President, the Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D. Text, 1 Cor. 12:27. Theme, "The Body of Christ."

Administration of the Lord's Supper.

Thursday Evening, Sept. 14.—Foreign Mission Service.

Opening service conducted by the Rev. George Drach, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

The Presentation of the Departing Missionaries by the President of the Board, the Rev. Edward T. Horn, D.D., LL.D.

Response by the President of the General Council, the Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D.

Brief Responses by the Missionaries to India (the Revs. E. Neudoerfer, F. W. Schaeffer, and O. V. Werner, and the Misses Agatha Tatge and Margaret Haupt); and to Japan, (the Rev. E. T. Horn, Jr.)

Friday Evening, Sept. 18.—Home Mission Service.

The Rev. Frederick A. Kaehler, D.D., of Buffalo, presiding.

"Adapting the Lutheran Deaconess to American Conditions," by the Rev. F. B. Clausen, New York.

"The Lutheran Church in Large Cities—The Home Mission Problem," by the Rev. Milton J. Bieber, President of the Central Canada Synod.

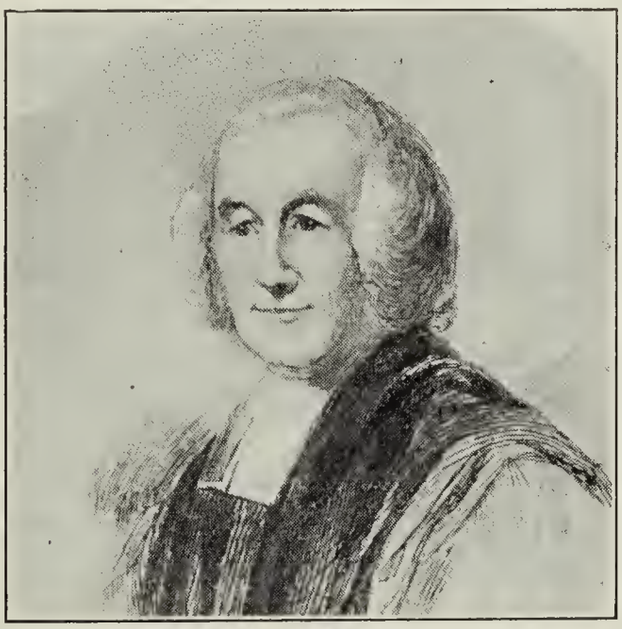
"The Lutheran Church in Large Cities—The Inner Mission Problem," by the Rev. F. K. Fretz, Ph.D., Philadelphia.

A Closing Word by the Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D.D., Superintendent of English Home Missions.

Sunday Morning, Sept. 17.—Divine Service in Holy Trinity Church.

The service—the Rev. William A. Beates, of Lancaster, O., assisting the pastors of Trinity Church.

Sermon by the Rev. Lawrence A. Johnston, D.D., of St. Paul, President of the Augustana Synod.



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Sunday Afternoon, Sept. 17.—The Convocation of Lancaster Lutherans.

(1) "The Field of the Great Metropolis of the East," by the Rev. Samuel G. Weiskotten, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y.

(2) "The English Field in the Augustana Synod," by the Rev. Lars G. Abrahamson, D.D., Editor of "Augustana."

(3) "The Field of the Slavs in the United States," by the Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph.D., Superintendent of Slav Missions.

(4) "The Field in the Great Provinces of Northern and Western Canada," by the Rev. E. Knappe, Field Missionary of the Manitoba Synod.

(5) "The Field in our Western Tropics," by the Rev. Chas. H. Hemsath, the Field Secretary.

(6) "The Field in the Great Northwest," by the Rev. William K. Frick, D.D., of Milwaukee.

Sunday Evening, Sept. 17.—The Muhlenberg Anniversary.

"The Work of Muhlenberg as Resultant in the General Council," by the Rev. Prof. Henry E. Jacobs, D.D., LL.D., Dean of the Philadelphia Theological Seminary.

"The Personality of our Patriarch," by the Rev. Prof. Jacob Fry, D.D., Philadelphia Seminary.

Sunday Morning, Sept. 17.—Sunday-school Service, Trinity Chapel, 9.45 o'clock.

(1) "The Education of our Young People," Prof. O. H. F. Bert, Muhlenberg College.

(2) "Our Young People in New York City," Rev. Chas. J. Smith, New York.

(3) "Our Young People in Western Pennsylvania and New York," Rev. W. J. Miller, D.D., Greensburg, Pa.

(4) "Our Young People in the Northwest," Rev. E. A. Trabert, Pittsburgh, Pa.

(5) "The Young Men for the Ministry," Rev. Jas. F. Lambert, Catasauqua, Pa.

Monday Evening, Sept. 18.—The Education Service.

"Work for Lutheran Students in the Universities," by the Rev. Albert J. Reichert, Red Wing, Minn., President of the English Synod of the Northwest.

"Theses on the Person and Work of Christ," presented by the Rev. John A. W. Haas, D.D., President of Muhlenberg College.

SOCIAL FEATURES.

Wednesday Evening.—Laymen's Reception and Supper, 4.30 to 7.00 o'clock.

Saturday Evening.—Social Reception in Trinity Chapel.

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3. BOARDS.

I. Board of English Home Missions.

Executive Committee meets monthly on the second Tuesday of every month, with semi-annual Board meetings on the second Tuesday of November and May, at 1522 Arch St., Philadelphia.

Corporate Title.—"The Board of English Home Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America."

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Rev. J. Allen Leas, 287 West Park Ave., Portland, Oregon. (Pacific Synod.)
Rev. W. George Dressler, D.D., Findlay, Ohio. (District Synod of Ohio.)
Rev. Asbjorn C. Anda, 2112 LeMoyne St., Chicago, Ill. (Chicago Synod.)
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II. Board of German Home Missions.

Meets quarterly on the first Thursday of February, May, August and November, at the Emigrant House, No. 4 State St., New York.

Corporate Title—"German Home Mission Board of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America."

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III. Board of Swedish Home Missions.

(Augustana Synodens Missionsstyrelse.)

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Meets on the first Thursday of January, March, May, July, September and November, at the Publication House, 1522 Arch St., Philadelphia.

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No.	Year	Place.	President.	English Secretary.	German Secretary.	Treasurer.	Synods Represented.	Members Present.		
								Clerical.	Lay.	Total.
1	1867	Ft. Wayne, Ind....	Rev. G. Bassler.....	Rev. H. W. Roth.....	G. Fritschel, D.D.....	H. H. Muhlenberg, M.D.	11	34	15	49
2	1868	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	C. W. Schaeffer, D.D.....	Rev. H. W. Roth.....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	H. H. Muhlenberg, M.D.	12	33	22	55
3	1869	Chicago, Ill.....	G. F. Krotel, D.D.....	Rev. H. W. Roth.....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	C. F. Norton, Esq.....	11	38	24	62
4	1870	Lancaster, Ohio....	C. P. Krauth, D.D.....	Rev. S. Laird.....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	S. Gross Fry, Esq.....	11	32	20	52
5	1871	Rochester, N. Y...	C. P. Krauth, D.D.....	Rev. S. Laird.....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	S. Gross Fry, Esq.....	9	30	20	50
6	1872	Akron, Ohio.....	C. P. Krauth, D.D.....	Rev. S. Laird.....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	S. Gross Fry, Esq.....	9	27	14	41
7	1873	Erie, Pa.....	C. P. Krauth, D.D.....	Rev. S. Laird.....	Rev. G. W. Drees.....	S. Gross Fry, Esq.....	9	38	25	63
8	1874	Jamestown, N. Y..	C. P. Krauth, D.D., LL.D.	Rev. S. Laird.....	Rev. C. H. Thomson.....	S. Gross Fry, Esq.....	10	38	25	63
9	1875	Galesburg, Ill.....	C. P. Krauth, D.D., LL.D.	Rev. S. Laird.....	Rev. C. H. Thomson.....	J. A. Geissenhainer, Esq .	10	35	18	53
10	1876	Bethlehem, Pa.....	C. P. Krauth, D.D., LL.D.	Rev. S. Laird.....	Rev. H. Grahn.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	41	26	67
11	1877	Philadelphia, Pa...	C. P. Krauth, D.D., LL.D.	Rev. S. Laird.....	E. F. Moldehnke, Ph.D..	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	39	27	66
12	1879	Zanesville, Ohio....	C. P. Krauth, D.D., LL.D.	H. E. Jacobs, D.D.....	Rev. J. C. Peterson.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	27	22	49
13	1880	Greensburg, Pa....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	H. E. Jacobs, D.D.....	E. F. Moldehnke, Ph.D..	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	34	20	54
14	1881	Rochester, N. Y...	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	Rev. E. Belfour.....	E. F. Moldehnke, Ph.D..	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	37	24	61
15	1882	Lancaster, Ohio....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	Rev. E. Belfour.....	Rev. F. W. Weiskotten...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	29	15	44
16	1883	New York, N. Y..	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	Rev. E. Belfour.....	Rev. F. W. Weiskotten...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	44	25	69
17	1884	Monroe, Mich.....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	S. L. Harkey, D.D.....	Rev. F. W. Weiskotten...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	47	19	66
18	1885	Philadelphia, Pa...	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	S. L. Harkey, D.D.....	Rev. F. W. Weiskotten...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	8	49	38	87
19	1886	Chicago, Ill.....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	Rev. C. A. Swensson.....	Rev. J. Nicum.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	11	59	31	90
20	1887	Greenville, Pa.....	A. Spaeth, D.D.....	Rev. G. W. Mechling....	Rev. J. Nicum.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	8	40	25	65
21	1888	Minneapolis, Minn.	J. A. Seiss, D.D., LL.D...	Rev. G. W. Mechling....	Rev. J. Nicum.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	8	60	37	97
22	1889	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	G. F. Krotel, D.D., LL.D.	Rev. G. W. Mechling....	Rev. J. Nicum.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	8	57	34	91
23	1891	Buffalo, N. Y.....	G. F. Krotel, D.D., LL.D.	Rev. G. W. Mechling....	Rev. J. Nicum, D.D.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	9	63	45	108
24	1893	Ft. Wayne, Ind....	C. A. Swensson, Ph.D.....	Rev. G. W. Mechling.....	Rev. J. Nicum, D.D.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	8	54	28	82
25	1895	Easton, Pa.....	E. F. Moldehnke, D.D.....	Rev. W. K. Frick.....	Rev. J. Nicum, D.D.....	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	8	65	42	107
26	1897	Erie, Pa.....	E. F. Moldehnke, D.D....	Rev. W. K. Frick.....	Rev. G. C. Berkemeier...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	9	71	44	115
27	1899	Chicago, Ill.....	M. C. Ranseen, D.D.....	Rev. W. K. Frick.....	Rev. G. C. Berkemeier...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	9	91	49	140
28	1901	Lima, Ohio.....	M. C. Ranseen, D.D.....	S. E. Ochsenford, D.D...	G. C. Berkemeier, D.D...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	87	49	136
29	1903	Norristown, Pa....	T. E. Schmauk, D.D.....	S. E. Ochsenford, D.D...	G. C. Berkemeier, D.D...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	11	91	58	149
30	1905	Milwaukee, Wis....	T. E. Schmauk, D.D.....	W. K. Frick, D.D.....	G. C. Berkemeier, D.D...	W. H. Staake, Esq.....	10	110	53	163
31	1907	Buffalo, N. Y.....	T. E. Schmauk, D.D.....	W. K. Frick, D.D.....	G. C. Berkemeier, D.D...	Hon. W. H. Staake.....	11	113	81	194
32	1909	Minneapolis, Minn.	T. E. Schmauk, D.D.....	W. K. Frick, D.D.....	G. C. Berkemeier, D.D...	Hon. C. A. Smith.....	13	131	78	209
33	1911	Lancaster, Pa.....	T. E. Schmauk, D.D.....	W. K. Frick, D.D.....	G. C. Berkemeier, D.D...	Hon. C. A. Smith.....	13	108	78	186

5. SYNODICAL AND CONFERENCE OFFICERS AND MEETINGS.

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3. Greensburg	Rev. J. J. Brubeck	Rev. J. O. Glenn	Rev. J. O. Glenn	
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2. Middle	Rev. A. Eggers	Rev. O. Stockmann	Rev. O. Stockmann	
3. Western	Rev. A. Blunck	Rev. R. Mosig	Rev. R. Mosig	
VII. Chicago Synod.	Rev. A. H. Arbaugh	Rev. W. J. Seiberling	Rev. L. J. Smith, Goshen, Ind	St. James, Claremont, Ill. June 4.
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2. Northwestern	Rev. B. F. Hoefer	Rev. L. E. Wein	Rev. L. E. Wein	
3. Southern	Rev. J. I. Whitman	Rev. W. J. Seiberling	Rev. A. J. Sommer	
VIII. English Synod of the Northwest	Rev. A. J. Reichert†	Rev. W. P. Christy	Mr. J. K. Jensen, 311 Hayes Bldg., Janesville, Wis.	First Church, Platteville, Wis. June 4.
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2. Eastern	Rev. H. K. Gebhart	Rev. L. W. Steckel	Rev. L. W. Steckel	
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CONFERENCES.				
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2. Manitoba	Rev. H. Becker	Rev. P. Baenisch	Rev. P. Baenisch	
3. Saskatchewan	Rev. F. Pempeit	Rev. M. Richter	Rev. M. Richter	
X. Pacific Synod.	Rev. M. E. Boulton	Rev. Emil Meyer	Mr. Carl F. Wolf, Tacoma, Wash	Chehalis, Wash June 12.
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1. English	Rev. C. F. W. Stover	Rev. Theo. Schoenberg	Rev. Theo. Schoenberg	
2. German	Rev. C. F. Boehner	Rev. E. Meyer	Rev. E. Meyer	
XI. New York and New England Synod.	Rev. F. A. Kaehler, D.D	Rev. C. A. Ritchie	Mr. Fred J. Walter, 115 Spring St., Kingston, N. J	St. Mark's, Boston, Mass. June 4,
CONFERENCES.				
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2. Western	Rev. J. L. Sibole	Rev. F. C. Martin	Rev. F. C. Martin	
XII. Nova Scotia Synod.	Rev. W. M. Weaver	Rev. J. F. Bermon	Mr. H. J. Behrens, Bridgewater, N.S,	St. Paul's Bridgewater, June 27.
CONFERENCES.				
1. Northern	Rev. J. F. Bermon	Mr. N. Krouse	Rev. P. Weller	
2. Southern	Rev. H. J. Behrens	Rev. C. H. Little	Rev. C. H. Little	
XIII. Central Canada Synod.	Rev. M. J. Bieber	Rev. J. Maurer	Mr. C. H. Fierheller, 4 Howard St. Toronto, Ont	Williamsburg, Ont. July 1.
CONFERENCES.				
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2. Western	Rev. P. C. Wike	Rev. J. V. Sappenfield	Rev. J. V. Sappenfield	

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6. STATISTICAL REPORT OF SYNODS AND INSTITUTIONS.

DISTRICT SYNODS, 1910.

No.	SYNOD.	Organized.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Members.	New Churches	Property Value.	Benevolence.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.
1.	Min. of Pa	1748	392	551	148,233	7	$ 7,328,595	$122,393.34	538	10,503	96,646
2.	Min. of N. Y	1773	149	157	64,000	..	4,373,750	43,000,00	184	3,528	29,500
3.	Pittsburgh	1845	153	202	31,940	3	*3,500,000	39,991.54	179	1,795	20,793
4.	Ohio	1857	50	87	14,649	..	695,650	20,142.81	82	1,260	9,680
5.	Augustana	1860	625	1124	166,983	..	8,779,764	248,108.60	855	9,310	71,668
6.	Canada	1861	38	80	11,871	1	*500,000	5,571.22	64	569	4,272
7.	Chicago	1871	38	64	7,221	..	558,525	8,885.43	54	.....	4,981
8.	Eng. of N. West	1891	32	39	7,440	5	409,850	7,411.94	39	.....	6,450
9.	Manitoba	1897	25	43	4,350	5	83,600	1,375.00	36	200	1,620
10.	Pacific	1901	15	19	1,558	2	162,650	1,746.86	15	119	940
11.	N. Y. & N. Eng	1902	53	55	17,200	4	1,808,820	16,859.09	53	1,320	12,158
12.	Nova Scotia	1903	7	26	2,705	1	92,000	1,292.49	19	147	1,073
13.	Central Canada	1909	13	14	1,425	1	95,097	2,315.23	14	123	685
	Totals		1590	2461	479,575	29	$28,388,301	$519,093.55	2,132	28,874	260,466

*Estimated.

DISTRICT SYNODS, 1911

No.	NAME OF SYNOD.	Organized.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Confirmed Members.	New Churches	FINANCES. Value of Church Property.	For Local Object.	Benevolence.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.
1	Ministerium of Pennsylvania	1748	395	562	152,444	5	$ 7,897,047	$ 836,333	$123,786.34	576	10,502	98,644
2	Ministerium of New York	1773	153	158	*60,000	3	4,795,195	445,952	48,945.07	192	3,488	33,290
3	Pittsburgh	1845	150	195	32,699	3	*3,500,000	280, 606	62,260.95	181	1,821	20,893
4	District of Ohio	1857	54	87	14,865	..	695,650	.....	20,142.81	82	1,260	10,169
5	Augustana	1860	626	1,145	172,239	8	9,325,334	1,590,882	350,254.85	875	9,309	75,084
6	Canada	1861	40	81	14,515	1	*600,000	68,042	9,128.90	68	644	4,729
7	Chicago	1871	40	68	7,730	4	638,500	67,697	14,060.45	58	.....	6,941
8	English of the Northwest	1891	35	38	8,043	..	447,670	83,421	11,074.13	36	.....	6,798
9	Manitoba (7)	1897	25	43	4,350	5	83,600	.....	1,375.00	36	200	1,620
10	Pacific (7)	1901	15	19	1,558	2	162,650	.....	1,746.86	15	119	940
11	New York and New England	1902	55	58	17,782	2	1,906,180	213,297	23,826.04	54	1,336	12,935
12	Nova Scotia (7)	1903	7	26	2,705	1	92,000	.....	1,292.49	19	147	1,073
13	Central Canada	1909	14	18	1,695	2	102,035	19,819	2,078.91	15	134	889
	* Estimated	Total	1609	2,498	490,625	36	$30,245,861	$3,606,049	$669,972.80	2,207	28,960	274,005

(7) From Report of 1910.

SYNODS AND INSTITUTIONS (Continued).

EDUCATIONAL.

Theological Seminaries.

NAME.	Founded.	Location.	President.	Value of Property.	Amount of Endowment.	Vols. in Library.	Profs.	Students.
Augustana	1860	Rock Island, Ill	Rev. G. A. Andreen, Ph.D				4	65
Lutheran	1864	Mt. Airy, Phila., Pa	Rev. H. E. Jacobs, LL.D. S.T.D	$260,000	$220,000	25,000	10	59
Evangelical Lutheran	1891	Maywood, Ill	Rev. R. F. Weidner, D.D., LL.D	136,000		10,000	7	39
Lutheran	1910	Portland, Ore	Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, B.D				4	6
Evangelical Lutheran	1911	Waterloo, Ont. Can	Rev. E. Hoffmann, D.D.	10,000			4	
Total—5.				$406,000	$220,000	35,000	29	169

Colleges.

NAME.	Founded.	Location.	President.	Value of Property.	Amount of Endowment	Vols. in Library.	Profs.	Students In Col. Grade.	Other Grades.	For Min.
Augustana (co-educational)	1860	Rock Island, Ill	Rev. G. A. Andreen, Ph.D	$ 400,000	$400,000	27,245	25	125	432	
Gustavus Adolphus (co)	1862	St. Peter, Minn	Rev. J. P. Uhler, Ph.D	197,000	75,000	14,000	20	105	268	
Muhlenberg	1867	Allentown, Pa	Rev. J. A. W. Haas, D.D	350,000	278,000	18,000	15	132		36
Thiel (co)	1870	Greenville., Pa	Rev. C. T. Benze, D.D	60,000	60,000	9,000	11	44	68	
Bethany (co)	1881	Lindsborg, Kan	Rev. E. F. Pihlblad, D.D	203,725	59,875	10,000	46	102	784	
Wagner Memorial	1883	Rochester, N. Y	Rev. H. D. Kraeling	25,000	11,000	1,000	5	42		42
Luther (co)	1883	Wahoo, Neb	Rev. O. J. Johnson, B.D	62,000	5,600	3,500	15	15	275	15
Upsala (co)	1893	Kenilworth, N. J	Prof. A. R. Wallin, A.M	70,600		2,000	14	59	104	
Total—8				$1,568,325	$889,475	84,745	151	624	1931	93

Schools of An Academic Grade.

Allentown Prep. School	1867	Allentown, Pa	Prof. O. F. Bert, Ph.D	$ 40,000			6	115		
Northwestern College (co)	1900	Fergus Falls, Minn	Prof. A. C. Youngdahl, A.B	40,000		400	8	140		
Minnesota, College (co)	1904	Minneapolis, Minn	Prof. Frank Nelson	102,275		3,000	23	465		20
Coeur d'Alene College (co)	1907	Coeur d'Alene, Ida	Rev. J. Jesperson	80,000		250	11	152		5
North Star College (co)	1908	Warren, Minn	Prof. O. E. Abrahamson	40,000		600	6	174		1
Trinity College (co)	1906	Round Rock, Tex	Rev. J. Alf. Anderson	35,000	$ 2,000	250	7	81		
Lutheran Academy	1910	Portland, Ore	Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, A.M				3	5		3
Lankenau Sch. for Girls	1890	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. E. F. Bachmann	200,000						
Weidner Institute (co)	1900	Mulberry, Ind	Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, A.B	25,000		1,000	7		30	10
Total—9.				$ 562,275	$ 2,000	5,500	71	1162	30	39

INNER MISSION.

Orphans' Homes.

			Supt.	Value of Property	Endowment	Inmates.
Bethany	1902	Bridgewater, N. S., Can	Rev. C. H. Little	$ 8,000		25
Children's Friend	1904	Jersey City N. J	Mrs. S. Frosch	30,000		33
Evang. Lutheran	1859	Philadelphia, Pa	Mrs. G. C. Eisenhardt	200,000	$ 60,000	177
Evang. Luth. Kans. Conf	1880	Cleburne, Kans	Rev. N. H. Youngberg	50,000		35
Good Shepherd for Infants	1908	Allentown, Pa	Rev. J. H. Raker	30,000		24
Gustavus Adolphus	1883	Jamestown, N. Y	Mr. John S. Swensson	53,000		74
Home and Farm School	1854	Zelienople, Pa	Rev. C. W. White	65,000		113
Home and Farm School	1867	Andover, Ill	Sister Elizabeth Anderson	69,750		66
Immanuel	1901	Omaha, Neb	Rev. P. M. Lindberg			21
Lutheran	1891	Joliet, Ill	Mr. E. A. Johnson	37,670		115
Lutheran	1896	Topton, Pa	Rev. J. O. Henry	60,000		114
Lutheran	1906	Avon, Mass	Amelia Rabenius	15,650		36
St. John's	1864	Sulphur Springs, N. Y	Mr. Otto Ehlers	153,000		88
Swedish Ev. Lutheran	1881	Stanton, Ia	Mr. A. E. Liljegren	52,000		39
Vasa, Minn. Conf	1865	Vasa, Minn	Mr. O. C. Herbert	40,000		70
Total—15.				$ 864,070	$ 60,000	1030

Homes for Aged.

Ev. Lutheran	1859	Philadelphia, Pa	Mrs. G. C. Eisenhardt		$ 60,000	51
Mary J. Drexel	1887	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. E. F. Bachmann			46
Lutheran Church Home	1896	Buffalo, N. Y	Miss Louise E. Kaehler	$ 60,000		35
Nazareth	1903	Omaha, Neb	Rev. P. M. Lindberg			17
Bethesda	1904	Chisago City, Minn	Rev. C. A. Hultkrans	20,000	$ 6,000	32
Salem	1905	Joliet, Ill	Mr. E. A. Johnson	30,000		29
Lutheran	1906	Erie, Pa	Sister Frieda	20,000		29
Lutheran	1906	Madrid, Ia	Sister Kristin Monson	18,000		21
Old People's, Kans. Conf	1907	Lindsborg, Kans	Rev. A. Bergin, D.D	15,000		6
Old People's	1907	Zelienople, Pa	Sister Kath. Foerster	50,000		14
Swedish Augustana	1907	Brooklyn, N. Y	Elizabeth Hammargren	21,000		18
Good Shepherd	1908	Allentown, Pa	Rev. J. H. Raker			4
Augustana	1911	Chicago, Ill	Rev. G. K. Stark	20,000		12
Total—13.				$ 254,000	$ 66,000	314

Homes for Defectives.

Passavant Memorial for Epileptics	1895	Rochester, Pa	Rev. F. W. Kohler	$ 100,000		72
Good Shepherd for Crippled Orph.	1908	Allentown, Pa	Rev. J. H. Raker			10
Layton Home for Invalids	1908	Milwaukee, Wis	Rev. H. L. Fritschel	65,000	$ 6,000	30
Total—3.				$ 165,000	$ 6,000	112

SYNODS AND INSTITUTIONS (Continued).

Deaconess Motherhouses.

			Rector	Value of Property.	Endowment.	Sisters.
Mary J. Drexel	1887	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. E. F. Bachmann	$ 600,000		78
Immanuel	1890	Omaha, Neb	Rev. P. M. Lindberg	85,000		58
Lutheran	1893	Milwaukee, Wis	Rev. H. L. Fritschel	25,000		36
Bethesda	1902	St. Paul, Minn	Rev. C. A. Hultkrans	20,000		27
Total—4.				$ 630,000		199

Hospitals.

			Supt.			Patients.
Augustana	1884	Chicago, Ill	Rev. M. Wahlstrom, Ph.D	$ 250,000		2,768
Bethesda	1880	St. Paul, Minn	Rev. C. A. Hultkrans	145,000		935
Children's	1887	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. E. F. Bachmann			915
Immanuel	1890	Omaha, Neb	Rev. P. M. Lindberg	80,000		786
Louis Volz Memorial	1908	Sulphur Springs, N. Y	Mr. Otto Ehlers			16
Milwaukee	1863	Milwaukee, Wis	Rev. H. L. Fritschel	280,000	$ 30,000	1871
Passavant Memorial	1885	Chicago, Ill	Miss Charlotte Christian	125,000	80,000	1842
Rajahmundry	1910	Rajahmundry, India		34,000		
Swedish	1906	Kansas City, Mo	Rev. A. W. Lindquist, D.D	60,000		600
Total—9.				$ 974,000	$110,000	9733

Hospices.

						Guests.
Augustana Central Home	1906	Chicago, Ill	Rev. V. J. Tengwald	$ 21,000		665
Bethany Home for Women	1909	St. Paul, Minn	Sister Ellen Mattson	1,000		50
Immanuel Women's Home	1907	Chicago, Ill	Sister Frida Haff	9,000		391
Luther Hospice	1905	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. Jos. S. Schantz	50,000		340
Swedish Luth. Mission Home	1907	Chicago, Ill	Miss Matilda Carlson	(1)		200
Total—5.				$ 81,000		1646

Immigrant and Seamen's Missions.

						Guests.
German Luth. Immigrant House	1869	New York, N. Y	Rev. G. Doering	$ 200,000		4959
Luth. Seamen's Home	1909	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. C. E. Metzenthin	12,000		2400
Swed. Luth. Immigrant Home	1895	New York, N. Y		79,000		4500
Immigrant and Sailor's Home	1902	Boston, Mass	Mr. Peter Swenson	21,000		1200
Total—4.				$ 312,000		13,059

Miscellaneous Institutions.

						Persons Cared for.
Luther Settlement	1906	Phila., Pa., 1333 Frankford Ave	Rev. A. Hering	$ 5,000		239
Samaritan Shelter	1895	Philadelphia, Pa., 411 N. 4th St	Mr. F. Audreae	15,000		12,600
Good Shep. Home for Destitute	1908	Allentown, Pa	Rev. J. H. Raker			4
Total—3.				$20,000		12,843

Home Finding Societies, City Missions and Rescue Leagues, at Allentown, Chicago, Philadelphia, New York, Brooklyn and St. Paul.

7. GENERAL COUNCIL HOME MISSIONS.

I. Supported by the Board of English Home Missions.

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence	Value of Property.
Atlantic City, N. J.	St. Andrew's	Theo. Buch	300	61	114	$ 1934 55	$ 31 00	$ 25,000
Trenton, N. J.	Our Saviour	John C. Mattes	350	227	168	1942 34	219 62	18,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Resurrection	D. I. Sulzbach	347	282	350	1739 11	218 81	16,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Zion	F. W. Friday	129	108	139	1612 79	104 42	7,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Memorial	J. W. H. Heintz	261	220	315	3093 94	72 53	50,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Mediator	A. C. Sumons	219	112	108	2078 15	45 00	6,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Good Shepherd	Vacant	95	28	65	312 30	.....	7,800
Philadelphia, Pa.	Advocate	J. C. Fisher	170	159	230	2303 46	96 86	10,000
Manoa, Pa.	Trinity	Vacant	51	40	10	.....	.....	10,000
Camden, N. J.	Christ	F. I. Paul	250	108	154	1200 00	.....	4,000
Wildwood, N. J.	Trinity	Vacant	67	58	70	3277 50	103 66	11,000
Magnolia, N. J.	Trinity	Vacant	20	.....	23	.....	.....	3,500
Eden, Pa.	Redeemer	Vacant	41	31	64	.....	.....	5,250
Shillington, Pa.	Grace	J. H. Neimann	92	81	205	1107 63	16 64	3,500
Oakbrook, Pa.	Redeemer	J. H. Neimann	34	10	90	171 38	3 00	1,000
Northampton Heights, Pa.	St. Matthew's	J. S. Renninger	190	80	170	552 20	27 55	3,600
E. Allentown, Pa.	St. Joseph's	P. A. Behler	263	116	307	227 84	127 84	12,000
Easton, Pa.	Colored	J. C. Burton	57	23	34	473 80	4 00	3,000
N. Water Gap, Pa.	St. Mark's	Vacant	49	.....	54	.....	.....	4,000
Scranton, Pa.	St. Paul's	W. S. Heist	250	126	146	989 87	88 32	12,000
Sayre, Pa.	St. John's	E. M. Beysher	107	102	106	1707 88	94 81	8,600
Gouldsboro, Pa.	Grace	Vacant	54	.....	100	.....	.....	7,800
Packerton, Pa.	Zion	F. E. Reichard	190	93	121	894 45	45 22	4,600
Ricketts, Pa.	St. John's	A. L. Smith	164	41	141	765 80	51 05	1,500
Lehighton, Pa.	Grace	F. Croman	161	147	200	1237 40	102 29	11,000
Quakake, Pa.	Christ	E. P. Xander	232	111	159	768 80	68 80	5,000
Pine Grove, Pa.	St. Peter's	Geo. Kirschke	66	35	127	124 00	.....	3,600
Dow P. O., Pa.	St. Mark's	Geo. Kirschke	34	23	11	109 80	.....	3,000
Cherryville, Pa.	St. Matthew's	Geo. Kirschke	24	15	70	66 00	.....	1,500
Llewellyn, Pa.	Frieden's	Vacant	127	.....	73	.....	.....	2,000
Palmyra, Pa.	Palm	F. C. Krapf	125	78	116	11997 79	85 30	11,500
Hershey, Pa.	Holy Trinity	F. C. Krapf	65	25	49	317 19	15 93	1,900
Harrisburg, Pa.	Holy Communion	W. H. Fehr	266	140	163	2082 30	219 74	8,500
Lancaster, Pa.	St. Mark's	J. H. Strenge	218	134	209	1407 35	60 71	8,600

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence	Value of Property.
Lancaster, Pa.	Redeemer	H. T. Clymer	159	62	97	444 68	31 48	10,000
Lititz, Pa.	St. James	H. T. Clymer	.....	39	53	.....	.....	5,000
Jersey Shore, Pa.	First	Vacant	66	.....	71	.....	.....	4,500
Berwick, Pa.	Trinity	W. H. Berk	120	72	72	865 64	37 57	8,800
Richfield, Pa.	St. John's	W. J. Huntsinger	231	195	120	400 00	107 53	6,000
Folsom, N. J.	St. James	C. D. Clauss	101	.....	47	.....	.....	6,000
Risley, N. J.	St. John's	C. D. Clauss	58	.....	33	.....	.....	.....
Palmerton, Pa.	Holy Trinity	C. K. Fegley	21	18	41	.....	.....	.....
Mildred, Pa.	Trinity	J. H. Ritter	151	97	87	.....	.....	5,000
Cherry Twp., Pa.	Peace	J. H. Ritter	116	66	.....	.....	.....	.....
Special.								
Philadelphia, Pa.	All Saints	F. A. Bowers	565	325	240	.....	.....	75,000
Missions of the Pennsylvania Ministerium transferred to the Self-sustaining List.								
Philadelphia, Pa.	Our Saviour	C. M. Sandt	336	161	258	$ 917 67	$ 87 26	$ 11,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Salem	F. Miller	329	143	197	772 70	84 07	3,000
N. Bethlehem, Pa.	St. Stephen's	C. J. Cooper, D.D.	213	127	202	354 93	40 57	2,500
Allentown, Pa.	St. Stephen's	I. W. Klick	600	282	389	924 02	108 34	18,000
S. Allentown, Pa.	Grace	J. H. Raker	360	160	270	408 84	63 75	4,500
	50 Missions.	34 Missionaries.	8,494	4,561	6,639	$ 45,984.10	$ 2,464.73	$ 451,050
DISTRICT SYNOD OF OHIO.								
Toledo, Ohio	St. Luke's	E. M. Potts	324	221	136	1643 29	125 17	8,700
Yondota, Ohio	St. Luke's	R. E. M. Engers	171	121	52	237 24	36 75	3,700
Coshocton, Ohio	Emmanuel	Vacant	127	.....	74	600 00	15 00	7,000
Coshocton, Ohio	St. Paul's	Vacant	150	.....	66	500 00	.....	4,500
Defiance, Ohio	Zion's	Vacant	232	.....	105	.....	.....	10,000
Holgate, Ohio	St. Peter's	John Knauer	200	98	71	361 24	33 52	1,500
Stanley, Ohio	St. John's	John Knauer	80	.....	61	556 32	37 00	5,000
Paulding, Ohio	St. Paul's	A. C. Wuchter	98	59	81	254 50	.....	.....
Broughton, Ohio	St. Paul's	A. C. Wuchter	50	12	.....	165 00	.....	.....
Charloe, Ohio	St. John's	A. C. Wuchter	5	5	41	.....	.....	.....
Emerald Twp., Ohio	Zion	A. C. Wuchter	90	12	.....	50 00	.....	.....
W. Carrollton, Ohio	Grace	L. P. Pence	146	79	102	644 06	48 82	3,000
Ingomar, Ohio	St. John's	L. P. Pence	175	69	111	233 15	24 81	5,600
Barberton, Ohio	First	H. C. TerVehn	275	129	136	1399 00	.....	4,000
Cleveland, Ohio	Emmaus	L. Hogshead	355	88	243	643 18	.....	2,500

Missions of the District Synod of Ohio transferred to the Self-sustaining List

Leetonia, Ohio	St. John's	J. H. Graf	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,500
Pemberville, Ohio	Martin Luther	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,000
	17 Missions.	8 Missionaries.	2,478	893	1,279	$7,286 98	$321 07	$63,000

NORTHWEST SYNOD.

Livingston, Mont	Redeemer	F. W. Klingensmith	82	56	76	1844 24	82 54	3,000
Winnipeg, Canada	First	P. E. Baisler	195	73	106	2060 50	62 00	10,000
Inwood, Canada	St. John's	P. E. Baisler	102	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
(Seven Oaks) Minneapolis, Minn	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Minneapolis, Minn	Holy Communion	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600
Minneapolis, Minn	Redeemer	C. J. Rockey	75	72	232	.....	.....	.....
Superior, Wis	Holy Trinity	W. H. Gable	275	120	170	1687 87	162 43	7,500
Madison, Wis	Trinity	H. R. Gold	165	95	48	807 64	54 06	600
Middleton, Wis	First	H. R. Gold	50	38	115	115 67	.....	.....
Oshkosh, Wis	St. John's	Vacant	140	.....	59	.....	.....	5,500
Beloit, Wis	Atonement	Paul H. Roth	331	133	123	1468 15	95 39	9,400
Afton, Wis	Trinity	Paul H. Roth	40	24	.....	.....	.....	.....
Racine, Wis	Atonement	W. F. Rex	164	148	243	2270 81	80 81	15,950
Cedarburg, Wis	Advent	T. F. Weiskotten	105	69	46	6026 28	43 00	15,543
Milwaukee, Wis	Reformation	A. J. Holl	614	275	332	3660 74	75 36	35,000

Missions of the Northwest Synod transferred to the Self-sustaining List.

N. St. Paul, Minn	St. Mark's	R. A. Helms	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Minneapolis, Minn	Trinity	L. B. Deck	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,000
	17 Missions.	11 Missionaries.	2,338	1,103	1,550	$19,941 90	$655 59	$107,093

PACIFIC SYNOD.

Tacoma, Wash	St. John's	C. F. W. Stoever	548	158	127	913 31	19 36	20,000
Bellingham, Wash	St. Mark's	Theo. Schoenberg	183	97	67	1333 38	37 00	7,310
Salt Lake City, Utah	Trinity	F. W. Bussard	89	37	33	.....	.....	14,500
Spanish Forks, Utah	English Lutheran	F. W. Bussard	65	40	25	.....	.....	800
Victoria, B. C	Grace	W. C. Drahn	75	30	40	1620 95	.....	.....
Medford, Ore	Zion	Conrad Wilker	60	16	.....	.....	.....	.....
	6 Missions.	5 Missionaries.	1,020	378	292	$3,867 64	$56 36	$42,610

CHICAGO SYNOD.

Chicago, Ills	Atonement	P. C. Baer	241	199	145	1002 45	112 05	11,000
Chicago, Ills	Epiphany	Vacant	246	123	145	1038 80	77 96	.....
Chicago, Ills	St. Matthew's	P. J. Gerberding	350	161	171	1766 00	.....	9,500
Chicago, Ills	Redeemer	J. R. E. Hunt	348	146	220	1741 44	51 25	11,000

CHICAGO SYNOD (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Member-ship.	Communi-cant Membership	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence	Value of Property.
Chicago, Ills	St. James	L. E. Wein	375	114	236	1309 54	25 55	11,000
Chicago, Ills	St. Mark's	C. L. Warstler	255	117	173	.....	25 00	10,000
Chicago, Ills	St. John's	C. Ziegelbrier	107	52	55	1615 53	87 60	11,000
Lafayette, Ind	Trinity	E. D. S. Boyer	326	123	99	10946 52	76 90	20,000
Detroit, Mich	St. Paul's	J. W. Paetznick	275	150	110	1805 25	15 00	7,000
Detroit, Mich	Christ	A. M. Sappenfield	200	85	35	2862 19	39 88	1,500
Woodstock, Ills	Grace	R. C. Kaufmann	233	93	119	1033 25	30 25	2,000
Aurora, Ills	Redeemer	Vacant	220	115	129	.....	.....	15,000
Missions of the Chicago Synod transferred to the Self-sustaining List.								
Alexandria, Ind	Our Saviour	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,000
	13 Missions.	10 Missionaries.	3176	1478	1637	$25,220 97	$541 44	$124,000
NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND SYNOD.								
Hartford, Conn	St. Paul's	C. E. Blethen	241	144	75	$ 524 18	$ 144 73	$ 20,000
Brooklyn, N. Y	Covenant	G. C. Loos	55	20	214	547 16	56 22	6,900
Brooklyn, N. Y	Nativity	G. C. Loos	30	15	20	479 80	11 00	.....
Brooklyn, N. Y	Holy Trinity	G. C. Loos	27	16	13	250 00	65 00	27,000
Yonkers, N. Y	Redeemer	Paul H. Rudh	164	108	67	1278 10	.....	16,000
Corona, N. Y	St. Bartholomew's	Vacant	153	52	115	584 00	12 89	4.500
Brooklyn, N. Y	St. Andrew's	O. S. Yerger	477	140	444	166 25	50 30	12,000
New Britain, Conn	Reformation	Vacant	226	84	125	603 74	78 64	7,000
Missions of the New York and New England Synod transferred to the Self-sustaining List.								
Freeport, N. Y	Christ	O. V. Werner	.....	59	83	$ 780 00	103 83	10,000
Brooklyn, N. Y	St. Barnabas	E. H. Tarfford	50	30	78	115 34	.....	.....
Weehawken, N. J	Good Shepherd	E. E. Stuckert	196	126	164	1853 68	61 54	$ 2,400
	11 Missions.	7 Missionaries.	2271	1138	1793	$ 19,307 55	$ 890 18	$ 162,550
SYNOD OF CENTRAL CANADA.								
Brantford, Ont	St. Matthew's	M. J. Bieber	60	26	27	151 64	.....	.....
Unionville, Ont	Bethesda	J. Maurer	69	39	52	2249 08	134 56	6,500
Buttonville, Ont	St. John's	J. Maurer	22	18	25	548 91	6 30	13,000
Ottawa, Can	St. Peter's	M. J. Bieber	99	104	74	514 58	139 78	8,200
	4 Missions.	2 Missionaries.	250	187	178	$3,464 22	$280 64	$27,700
Grand Total	118 Missions.	77 Missionaries.	20027	9738	13368	$ 128,673 36	$5,210 01	$978,003

II. Supported by the Board of German Home Missions.

I. IN CONNECTION WITH THE PACIFIC SYNOD

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
Camas, Wash	Zion's	C. F. Boehner	26		Ch. & Par		$ 1,600
Hockinson, Wash		C. F. Boehner	16				
Ridgefield, Wash		C. F. Boehner	18				
Bellingham, Wash	St. John's	G. Wenning	29		Ch. & Par		3,000
Bellingham, Wash	Frieden's	G. Wenning	35		Church		1,000
Greenwood, Wash		G. Wenning	12				
Kendall, Wash		G. Wenning	10				
Medford, Ore	Zion's	C. Wilker	60		Ch. & Par		5,000
Marksburg, Ore	Christus	W. R. M. Oeser	82		Ch. & Par		3,000
New Era, Ore	St. Paul's	W. R. M. Oeser	39		Ch. & Cem		500
Meridian, Ore	St. Johannis	W. R. M. Oeser					
Needy, Ore		W. R. M. Oeser	29				
Oregon City, Ore	Zion's	W. R. Kraxberger	93		Ch. & Par		3,000
San Jose, Cal	Bethel's	E. Meyer	72		Ch. & Par		10,500

II. IN CONNECTION WITH THE SYNOD OF MANITOBA AND OTHER PROVINCES.

Beausejour, Man	Zion's	E. Herzog	130		Ch. Par.& Cem.		$3,500
Green Bay, Man	St. Paul's	E. Herzog	60		Cemetery		
Golden Bay, Man		E. Herzog	40		Cemetery		
Thalberg, Man	Trinity	J. Naegler	65		Cemetery		
Gruenwald, Man		J. Naegler	45		Cemetery		
Gretna, Man	St. Paul's	P. Baehnisch	78		Ch. & Par		4,000
Rosenfeld, Man	St. Johannis	P. Baehnisch	85		Church		1,200
Friedensthal, Man	Zion's	H. Becker	161		Ch.Par.& Cem.		1,900
Greenridge, Man	Hoffnungs	H. Becker	31		Ch. & Cem		150
Overstone, Man		H. Becker	35		Cemetery		30
Niverville, Man		H. Becker	43		Ch. & Cem		800
Emerson, Man		H. Becker	40				
Woodridge, Man		H. Becker	12				
Friedensfeld, Man		H. Becker	31				
Morris, Man	St. Petri	A. H. Koehler	20		Church		2,000
Transkona, Man		A. H. Koehler	16				
Winnipeg, Man	Trinity	M. Ruccius	560		Church		30,000
Queen's Valley, Man		M. Ruccius	16				
Friedfeld, Man	Bethania	F. Ewald	131		½ Ch. Par.½Cem		1,500
Nord Friedfeld, Man	Kana	F. Ewald	36		Cemetery		45
Edenwald, Sask	St. Johannis	F. J. Fuerst	160		Ch. Par. Cem		2,500
Davin, Sask	Emmaus	F. J. Fuerst	31		Ch. & Cem		1,200
Hednesford, Sask		F. J. Fuerst	20				
Kronan, Sask		Vacant	40				
Neudorf, Sask	Zion's	B. Merz	160		Ch. & Par		2,500
Wheatwyn, Sask	Zion's	A. Schlange	40		Ch. Par.& Cem.		3,700
Elbourne, Sask	St. Paul's	P. Tourney	39		Cemetery		75
Saskatoon, Sask		F. W. Klein					
Kennell, Sask		A. Leonhardi	80		Par		850
Stony Hill, Sask	St. Johannis	H. Walbaum	64		Ch. & Cem		3,000
Silver Grove, Sask	St. Paul's	H. Walbaum	20		Cemetery		50
Rosthern, Sask	Christ	F. Pempeit	107		Ch. Par. Cem		3,000
Aberdeen, Sask		F. Pempeit	38				
Rosemount, Sask		M. Richter					
Gelsendorf, Sask	St. Johannis	M. Richter	60		Ch. Par. Cem		800
Hirzal, Sask	St. Petri	M. Richter	35		Ch. Cem		700
Hubbard, Sask	St. Pauli	M. Richter	25				
Goodeve, Sask		M. Richter	10				
Gartenland, Sask		F. Restau	122		Ch. & Par		1,950
Edmonton, Alta	St. Johannis	H. Harms	197		Church		10,000
Entwistle, Alta		H. Harms					
Strathcona, Alta	Trinity	Th. Hartig	225		Ch. & Par		10,000
Morinville, Alta		Th. Hartig					
Wetaskiwin, Alta	St. Johannis	F. G. Pötzsch	123		Ch. Par. Cem		3,000
Heimtal, Alta	St. Johannis	G. Jüttner	52		Ch. Par. Cem		2,500
East Ledue, Alta		G. Jüttner	41		Ch. & Cem		1,000
Otoskwan, Alta	St. Petri	G. Jüttner	20				

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
Strawberry Creek, Alta...	.....	G. Jüttner.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waterglen, Alta.....	St. Petri.....	Vacant.....	70	.....	Ch. & Cem....		1,400
New Norway, Alta.....	.....	Vacant.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battle River, Alta.....	.....	Vacant.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Sarepta, Alta.....	St. Paul's.....	Vacant.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battle Lake, Alta.....	.....	Vacant.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dresden, N. Dakota.....	St. Johnanis.....	Theo. Hempel.....	90	.....	Ch. Cem Par...		1,500

III. IN CONNECTION WITH THE MINISTERIUM OF NEW YORK.

Ottenheim, Ky.....	Immanuel's.....	C. J. Mehrtens....	100	.....	Ch., Par. Sch. & Cem....		$ 1,675
70 missions	1 mission Supt.....	29 missionaries....	4090	.....	33 Ch. Bldg's..		$122,250

The Parishes Langenburg and Lutherhort have become self-supporting.

The Parish Beausejour is also ready to bear its own burden. Rev. E. Herzog left at the end of this term, A. Leonhardi being his successor. Rev. H. Jepsen took charge of Kennell.

III. Supported by District Synods.

1. AUGUSTANA SYNOD.

Monson, Me.....	Zion.....	C. P. Edlund.....	60	52	Frame.....		$ 10,000
Portland, Me.....	Immanuel.....	O. Moren.....	35	29	Brick.....		15,500
Concord, N. H.....	Concordia.....	.....	60	48	Frame.....	Lot	5,900
*Athol, Mass.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Attleboro, Mass.....	Emanuel.....	F. W. Lindstrom...	50	12	Lot.....		2,020
Beverly, Mass.....	.....	N. J. Lundahl.....	14	.....	.....		700
East Longmeadow, Mass...	Gustaf Adolf.....	P. A. Zedren.....	53	24	Frame.....		3,000
Greendale, Mass.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holyoke, Mass.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hyde Park, Mass.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lawrence, Mass.....	Immanuel.....	N. J. Lundahl.....	53	26	.....		750
Leominster, Mass.....	.....	H. Jacobson.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Millville, Mass.....	Zion.....	F.W.Lindstrom,v.p.	59	49	Frame.....		4,000
Monson, Mass.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Montello, Mass.....	Gethsemane.....	N. J. Lundahl.....	95	56	Frame.....		2,500
Natick, Mass.....	.....	A. F. Andrea.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Norwood, Mass.....	Emanuel.....	A. M. L. Herenius..	145	75	Frame.....		3,600
Palmer, Mass.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southbridge, Mass.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pigeon Cove, Mass.....	Klippan,.....	N.J.Lundahl, v.p...	21	24	.....		2,000
Pittsfield, Mass.....	Zion.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salem, Mass.....	Bethania.....	N. J. Lundahl.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Port, R. I.....	Zion.....	H. Myreen.....	56	26	Frame.....		6,000
Centerbrook, Conn.....	Trinity.....	Axel P. Bjoerkman.	45	20	Frame.....	Lot.	3,800
Collinsville, Conn.....	Gustaf Adolf.....	.....	44	26	.....	.....	.....
Danbury, Conn.....	.....	C. A. Benander....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deep River, Conn.....	Bethel.....	Axel P. Bjoerkman.	53	29	Frame.....	Par.	3,000
Georgetown, Conn.....	Swedish-Finnish....	C. A. Benander....	110	31	Frame.....		3,000
Haddam Neck, Conn.....	Gethsemane.....	E. C. Bloomquist...	28	12	.....	.....	.....
So. Norwalk, Conn.....	Messiah.....	C. O. Thunberg....	14	.....	Lot.....		700
Stamford, Conn.....	St. John's.....	C. O. Thunberg....	131	49	Frame.....	Lot.	9,000
Torrington, Conn.....	Bethania.....	.....	49	29	Frame.....	Lot.	5,220
Washington, Conn.....	Trinity.....	Herman J. Olson...	44	.....	Frame.....	Lot.	3,500
New York, N. Y.....	Messiah.....	John Johnson.....	155	150	Frame.....		15,700
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Tabor.....	G. A. Anderson....	35	25	Frame.....		5,000
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Salem.....	G. Nelsenius.....	125	306	Br. & Fr.	Par.	18,000
Buffalo, N. Y.....	Trinity.....	A. J. Okerblom.....	130	58	Frame.....	Par.	14,300
Busti, N. Y.....	Bethania.....	J. A. Rinell.....	23	9	Frame.....	Par.	2,000
Corning, N. Y.....	Emanuel.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corona, N. Y.....	Trinity.....	.....	30	40	St. & Frame...		5,000
Dunkirk, N. Y.....	Zion.....	.....	74	40	Frame.....	Par.	9,000
Ellery Center, N. Y.....	.....	Eric Boman.....	26	.....	.....	.....	.....
Edenwald, N. Y.....	Bernadotte.....	Hilmer Larson.....	36	46	Stone.....		7,000
Flatbush, N. Y.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Long Island, N. Y.....	Salem.....	P.J.O.Cornell, v.p..	22	30	Frame.....		6,000
Mayville, N. Y.....	.....	Eric Boman.....	151	35	Frame.....	Par.	5,000
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Emanuel.....	Hilmer Larson.....	52	30	Frame.....		10,000
New Rochelle, N. Y.....	Zion.....	Hilmer Larson.....	31	15	.....	.....	.....

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PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
New York, N. Y.	Harlem	Hilmer Larson, v.p.	305	141		Lots	20,000
Niagara Falls, N. Y.	Bethany	A. J. Okerblom	18	12	Frame		1,500
Olean, N. Y.	Bethany	L. W. Gullstrom	118	35	Frame		6,000
Ossining, N. Y.	Zion	Hilmer Larson, v.p.	17	18			200
Pleasantville, N. Y.	Emanuel		15		Frame		2,100
Port Richmond, N. Y.	Wasa	Nestor Johansson	61	42	Frame	Par.	7,000
Portville, N. Y.	Bethel	L. W. Gullstrom	52	18	Frame		2,000
Richmond Hill, N. Y.	Gustaf Adolf		19	14			
Rochester, N. Y.	Trinity	Emile G. Benzon	76				
Schenectady, N. Y.	Gustaf Adolf	K. A. Martin, v. p.	73	36	Frame		5,000
Syracuse, N. Y.		Emile G. Benzon					
Utica, N. Y.							
White Plains, N. Y.	Trinity		46	8	Lot		2,000
Bergenfield, N. J.	Clara		36	10			
Bayonne, N. J.	Eleonora	Nestor Johansson	71	30	Frame	Lot.	6,500
Englewood, N. J.		Carl H. Rask, v. p.	23	10			
Elizabeth, N. J.	Bartholomew	John Eastlund	50	22			
Morristown, N. J.	First Scand						
Plainfield, N. J.	Gethsemane		48			Lot	800
Trenton, N. J.							
Altoona, Pa.	Gustaf Adolf	F. N. Anderson	33	13	Frame		3,296
Anita, Pa.	Elim	Adolphe Anderson	56	30	Frame		1,200
Austin, Pa.	Aurora	Karl J. Peel	22	23	Frame		1,400
Bitumen, Pa.	Zion	J. P. Regner	24	20			
Bradford, Pa.	Immanuel	G. R. Peterson	118	52	Frame	Par.	9,000
Brookville, Pa.							
Columbus, Pa.	Elim						
Crenshaw, Pa.							
Cross Forks, Pa.	Emanuel				Frame		1,200
Duquesne, Pa.	Zion				Frame		5,000
Emporium, Pa.							
Freehold, Pa.	Berea		149	35	Frame	Par.	4,000
Glen Richey, Pa.	Gethsemane				Frame		718
Galeton, Pa.	St. Paul	G. S. Larson	52	27	Frame		2,300
Johnsonburg, Pa.							
Landrus, Pa.	Nazareth	J. G. Danielson	19	9	Frame		600
Monessen, Pa.	Bethania						
Munhall, Pa.	Gethsemane						
New Castle, Pa.	Zion	J. A. Johansson	36	12	Frame		2,000
Oil City, Pa.	Zion	J. A. Johansson	66	35	Brick		8,500
Philadelphia, Pa.	Gustaf Adolf	A. J. Oestlin	94	39	Brick		14,000
Shamut, Pa.	Zion	P. E. Fredlund					
Smethport, Pa.	Ansgarius	L. W. Gullstroem	61	33	Frame		4,000
Tidioute, Pa.	Salem	Carl Jacobson, v.p.	35	8	Frame		2,000
Windber, Pa.	Gustaf Adolf	F. N. Anderson, v.p.	48	19	Frame		4,500
Wilson, Pa.	Bethlehem						
Baltimore, Md.	St. Olaf	A. J. Enstam	40	16	Frame		2,500
Washington, D. C.		A. J. Enstam					
S. Lorain, O.							
Belvedere, Ill.	Zion	Oscar Liden	120		Brick		10,000
Berwyn, Ill.	Augustana	J. Telleen	146	90	Brick	Par.	13,000
Canton, Ill.	Bethlehem		67	17	Frame		3,500
Chicago, Ill.	Nebo	M.C.Ransceen, D.D.	126	90	Frame		3,500
*Chicago, Ill.	Bethel	Daniel Nystrom	41	40	Lots		3,000
*Chicago, Ill.	Grace	P. O. Bersell	41	18			
Chicago, Ill.	St. John's	A. Edgren	93	98	Frame		3,700
Chicago, Ill.	Capernaum	Carl Henderson	40	39	Frame		3,300
Chicago, Ill.	Messiah	D. A. Lofgren	59	86	Brick	Lot.	7,500
Chicago Heights, Ill.	Immanuel	G. Fletwood	160	100	Frame		5,500
Cragin, Ill.	Libanon	Oscar N. Olson	65	90	Frame		5,000
Danville, Ill.		F. O. Linder	68	20	Frame	Par.	6,000
East Moline, Ill.							
Edgewater, Ill.							
Gibson City, Ill.	Salem		98	28	Frame	Par.	5,500
Granville, Ill.		F. O. Linder	74	43	Frame	Par.	6,200
Harvey, Ill.	Tabor	V. Setterdahl	50	37	Frame		3,600
Kinsman, Ill.	Immanuel						
Kirkland, Ill.		Alfred Johanson	105	45	Frame	Par.	7,500
La Grange, Ill.	Emmaus	H. O. Lindeblad, vp.	71	82	Brick		9,000
Oakdale, Chicago, Ill.	Ebenezer	T. S. Ohslund, v. p.	45	54	Frame		3,600

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Rockford, Ill	Salem	J. A. Benander	261	240			2,100
Sibley, Ill		M. Frykman	64	25	Frame		2,000
Silvis, Ill							
So. Moline, Ill	Salem	C. J. Youngberg	194	185	Brick		8,000
Utica, Ill	Ansgarii	F. O. Linder	49	30	Frame		2,400
†Walker Station, Ill	Emanuel	C. A. Blomgren,vp.	57	109	Frame		4,500
East Chicago, Ind	St. Paul		34	38	Frame		3,200
Gary, Ind							
Indiana Harbor, Ind	Gennesareth		27	20	Frame		2,000
Michigan City, Ind	Zion	Carl A. Tolin	185	56	Frame	Par.	9,500
Cedarville, Mich		A. A. Dahlberg	62	35	Frame		2,100
Cheboygan, Mich		A. Sundberg	40	25	Frame		1,000
Detroit, Mich	Bethlehem	P. G. Williams	55	32	Brick		5,000
Deward, Mich					Frame		1,000
Gladstone, Mich	Ebenezer	Carl J. Silfversten	160	180	Frame		5,000
Grand Marais, Mich	Bethany	Erik Rehner	24	12	Frame		1,000
Isabella, Mich							
Mancelona, Mich	Gustaf Adolf	A. Sundberg	41	12	Frame		1,000
Munising, Mich	Eden	G. A. Ekeberg	32	50	Concr		5,000
Newberry, Mich	Messias		45		Frame		3,000
St. Ignace, Mich	Zion	Erik Rehner	45	16	Frame		1,500
Sault Ste Marie, Mich	Elim	Erik Rehner	20		Basem		1,700
St. Joseph, Mich	Saron	Carl A. Tolin	33	15	Frame		2,000
Skandia, Mich	Emanuel	G. A. Ekeberg	30	20	Brick		3,000
Stonington, Mich	Bethel	C. A. Lund, v. p.	60	30	Frame		1,500
Whitefish, Mich	Bethlehem	CarlJ.Silfversten,v.p	19		Frame		1,287
Amery, Wis	Ebenezer	M. T. H. Andren	72	54	Frame	Par.	2,100
Ashland, Wis	Bethesda	F. E. W. Kastman	58	75	Frame		1,500
Bayfield, Wis		F. E. W. Kastman	25	25	Frame		2,500
Birch Lake, Wis	Trinity	F. E. W. Kastman	32		Frame		800
Grand Rapids, Wis							
Grantsburg, Wis	Salem		20	21	Frame	Par.	3,500
Hudson, Wis	Zion	Einar Rendahl	86	35	Frame		2,400
Hayward, Wis	Bethlehem	J. A. Forslund	59	25			
Irma, Wis							
Man Valley, Wis		Einar Rendahl	37		Frame		1,000
Madison, Wis			73	30	Frame		6,900
Mellen, Wie							
Milwaukee, Wis	First Sw	A. S. Hamilton	79	57	Frame		7,500
Mosling, Wis	Zion	F. E. Sard, v. p.	28		Frame		2,500
Mountain, Wis							
New Richmond, Wis		C. E. Lindquist	40	36	Stone & Brick		2,000
Paskin Lake, Wis							
Phillips, Wis	Phillippi	A. E. Hiller	3		Frame		1,000
Poplar, Wis	Bethania	Gustav Oberg, v.p.	64	38	Frame		3,000
Port Wing, Wis		E. J. Norden	104	55	Frame		6,500
Prentice, Wis	Bethlehem	A. E. Hiller	98	50	Frame		4,500
Rice Lake, Wis	Immanuel	J. A. Forslund	121	30	Frame		2,000
Shell Lake, Wis	Salem	J. A. Forslund	60	79	Frame		1,800
So. Range, Wis	Johannes	O. H. Nelson	14				
Superior, Wis	Zion	O. H. Nelson	85	59	Frame		4,125
Washburn, Wis	Emanuel	F. E. W. Kastman	43		Frame		1,600
Wonewoc, Wis	Elim		12		Frame		450
Aitkin Co., Minn	Maria		27	12	Frame		1,000
Aitkin Co., Minn	Bethlehem		25	20	Frame		1,200
Aitkin Co., Minn	St. Paul		49	50	Frame	Par.	5,000
Alvarado, Minn	Elim	E. O. Chelgren,v.p.	41	48	Frame		5,000
Anoka, Minn	Zion	J. E. Erlander	54	31	Frame		4,800
Annandale, Minn	St. John	M. Peterson	80	44	Frame		2,000
Avoca, Minn	Lime Lake	L. J. Fihn	75	20	Frame		4,000
Bemidji, Minn	Bethel	J. H. Randahl	43	12	Frame		1,600
Bock, Minn	Immanuel	G. L. Dagner	67	60	Frame		1,100
Burns, Minn							
Camden Place, Minn	Salem	August Samuelson	170	170	Fr. & Br.	Par.	8,000
Christdala, Minn		L. A. Edman	80	23	Frame	Par.	3,600
Carlton, Minn	Bethesda		45	30	Frame	Par.	7,000
Clear Brook, Minn	Bethsaida	J. H. Randahl	17				
Christine, Minn		E. Norsen	60		Frame	Par.	7,500
Darling, Minn	Immanuel	O. B. Nelson	84	36	Frame		700
Dell Grove, Minn			65	14	Frame		1,600

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Detroit, Minn.	Trinity		86		Frame	Par.	4,000
Dundee, Minn.	Lund	L. J. Fihn	31	16	Frame		1,500
Elbow Lake, Minn.		A. G. Olson	99	25	Frame		3,600
Fosston, Minn.	Asphult		45				
Fridsborg, Minn.		Alex Peterson	41		Frame		1,700
Grand Rapids, Minn.	Zion		28		Frame		2,500
Hart Lake, Minn.	Zion	J. H. Randahl	40	24	Frame		2,000
Hopkins, Minn.	Gethsemane		133	71	Brick		3,500
International Falls, Minn.		E. A. Lindgren					
Isle, Minn.	Zion	P. O. Dahlberg	35	21	Frame	Par.	2,000
Karlstad, Minn.	Bethel	C. G. Groenberg	24	15	Frame		1,500
Lakefield, Minn.	Gustaf Adolf	A. R. Road	15		Frame		
Lengby, Minn.	Poplar Lake		67		Frame		2,000
McIntosh, Minn.	New Sweden		12		Log		25
McIntosh, Minn.	Salem		41		Frame		1,000
Milaca, Minn.	Zion	G. L. Dagner	110	65	Frame	Par.	2,200
Milo, Minn.	Salem	G. L. Dagner	28		Frame		800
Minneapolis, Minn.	Saron	G. Rast	45	54	Frame		
*Minneapolis, Minn.	Grace	A. T. Seashore	98	172	Frame		14,000
*Minneapolis, Minn.	Messiah	Carl O. Lundquist	250	200	Frame		7,463
Minneapolis, Minn.	Bethany	A. T. Seashore	36	131	Frame		1,200
Monticello, Minn.		J. N. Almquist	14		Frame		800
Moose Lake, Minn.	Bethlehem	E. S. Ternberg	17	25	Frame	Par.	1,600
Nylunda, Minn.		M. Peterson	51		Brick		2,200
Oak Park, Minn.							
Opstead, Minn.	Immanuel	P. O. Dahlberg	25	20	Frame		750
Pine Co., Minn.	Blomskog	E. S. Ternberg	41	25	Frame		2,500
Pine Grove, Minn.		Fr. Peterson	40	17	Frame		1,000
Princeton, Minn.	Emanuel	Aug. Lundquist	73	20	Frame		3,780
Rock Creek, Minn.			13		Frame		1,500
Roseau, Minn.	Clara		59				
Silver Creek, Minn.		J. N. Almquist	57	35	Frame and Br.		1,800
So. Stillwater, Minn.	Bethesda	J. Lundquist	69	62	Frame	Par.	4.000
Strandquist, Minn.	Bethesda	C. G .Groenberg	42		Log		1,600
St. Cloud, Minn.	Salem	G. A. Oestergren	112	65	Brick	Par.	11,500
St. Anthony Park, Minn.	Salem	J. A. Frost	36	50	Frame		3,000
*St. Paul, Minn.	Arlington Hills	E. W. Carlson	56	90			
St. Paul, Minn.	Augustana	P. E. Bergstrom	32	33	Frame		2,800
St. Paul, Minn.	Clara	A. Noren	95	83	Frame		3,700
*St. Paul, Minn.	Gloria Dei	P. N. Sjogren	89	62	Fr. and Br.		15,000
Sandstone, Minn.	Elim		14	25	Frame		1,000
Thief River Falls, Minn.	First	E. O. Chelgren, v.p.	25		Frame		3,000
Triumph, Minn.		A. R. Road, v. p.	40	24	Frame		1,500
W. Duluth, Minn.	Swedish-Finnish	G. Oberg	128	110	Frame	Par.	5,000
Wadstena, Minn.		L. J. Fihn, v. p.	12		Frane		1,200
Zimmerman, Minn.	Livonia	Aug. Lundquist	24	5	Frame		200
Bismarck, N. D.		E. F. Alfson	20	22		Par.	4,000
Dickey, N. D.							
Fullerton, N. D.							
Gascoyne, N. D.	Bethesda						
Grand Forks, N. D.	Gustaf Adolf	J. M. Persenius	101	45	Frame	Par.	9,000
Lignite, N. D.	Bethania	C. O. Gulleen, v.p.					
Minot, N. D.	First Sw.	N. P. Tuleen, v.p.	22	12	Frame	Par.	8,000
Niobe, N. D.	Elmdale	C. O. Gulleen, v. p.	24	15	Frame		1,500
Sheyenne, N. D.	Augustana	N. P. Tuleen	140	62	Concr	Par.	14,500
Souris, N. D.	Sion	C. O. Gulleen	43	30	Stone		2,500
Underwood, N. D.	Birka	E. F. Alfson, v. p.	43			Par.	3,000
Valley City, N. D.	Nebo	J. E. Liljedahl	37		Frame		2,500
Carthage, S. D.	Zion	L. G. Almen	83	24	Frame	Par.	5,000
Erwin, S D.	Clara	L. G. Almen	74	10	Frame		1,800
Gregory, S. D.	Bethlehem	S. E. Selander					
Lead, S. D.	Augustana		17			Par.	2,500
Mitchell, S. D.	Bethlehem	K. J. Bring	18				900
Orient, S. D.		L. J. Lundquist	24	12		Par.	2,500
Platte, S. D.	Fridhem	K. J. Bring	27	11	Frame		2,650
Platte Valley, S. D.		K. J. Bring	30	9	Fraime		1,400
Roseland, S. D.	Zion	S. E. Selander					
Redfield, S. D.	St. Paul's	L. J. Lundquist	20		Frame		2,000
Arnick, Alberta, Can.	Bethania						

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Battle Lake, Alberta, Can.	Svea	J. J. Frodeen	16		Frame		1,800
Burnt Lake, Alberta, Can.	Bethel				Frame		1,000
Clive, Alberta, Can	Saron		22		Frame		2,000
Czar, Alberta, Can	Emanuel						
Calgary, Alberta, Can	First Sw	A. J. Kallberg	43		Frame	Par	12,000
Calmar, Alta, Can		O. Lindgren, v. p	30		Frame		2,200
Camrose, Alta., Can	Fridhem	O. Lindgren	44		Frame		3,000
Dubuc, Sask., Can	New Sweden	P. A. Edquist	85		Frame		1,800
Edberg, Alberta, Can	Meeting Creek						100
Falun, Alta., Can	Dalby	J. J. Frodeen	22	5			
Flemming, Sask., Can		Theol. Stud. Olsson	15		Frame		1,000
Fort William, Ont., Can	Zion	Carl O. Olander	40	12	Stone		6,000
Kelleher, Sask., Can	Bethel						
Kenora, Ont., Can	Bethesda	Carl O. Olander	70	67	Frame	Par.	5,5 00
Kinistino, Sask., Can	Zion						
Lundemo, Alta., Can	Wilhelmina	O. Lindgren	26	12			
Moose Jaw, Sask., Can			30		Frame		1,000
Norris Lake, Manitoba,Can	Bethel						
Net of Lakes, Sask., Can.	Ebenezer						
Percival, Sask., Can	Immanuel		85	44	Log		1,200
Port Arthur, Ont., Can	Immanuel	Carl O. Olander	20		Lot		1,500
Scandinavia, Man., Can	Bethlehem		50	25	Log	Par.	1,800
Stettler, Alta., Can	Davids		24		Frame		3,000
Usona, Alta., Can	Twin Creek	J. J. Frodeen	19	15	Land		200
Westrose, Alberta, Can	Zion						
Wetaskiwin, Alta., Can	Bethlehem	J. J. Frodeen	30	12	Frame		3,000
Whitemouth, Man., Can	Immanuel						
Albia, Ia	Ebenezer	D. N. Anderson	27	22	Frame		800
Bancroft, Ia	Immanuel	Carl G. Lundell	45	35	Frame		3,500
Buxton, Ia	Ebenezer	D. N. Anderson	143	45	Frame		2,800
Cedar Rapids, Ia	Saron	A. E. Gustafson	57	28	Frame	Par.	12,000
Cherokee, Ia	Bethlehem	C. A. Lindahl	47	30	Frame		2,500
Centerville, Ia			104	56	Frame	Par.	3,350
Clinton, Ia	Immanuel		140	26	Brick	Par.	15,000
Council Bluffs, Ia	Immanuel	E. Glad	94	36	Brick	Par.	10,500
Creston, Ia	Salem	Carl G. Samuelson	131	39	Frame	Par.	9,000
Delaware, Ia	Immanuel	A. E. Gustafson	70	16	Frame		1,800
Des Moines, Ia	Grandview	C. A. Carlson	82	90	Frame		5,700
Davenport, Ia		A. W. Kjellstrand	93	43	Frame	Par.	8,000
Elfsborg, Ia		C. E. Olsson	148	57	Frame	Par.	5,000
Fairfield, Ia	Emanuel		40	12	Frame		3,300
Hiteman, Ia	Augustana	D. N. Anderson	61	39	Frame		1,800
Keokuk, Ia		E. A. Peterson	83	20	Frame	Par.	4,000
Lincoln, Ia		E. C. Jessup	64	31	Frame	Par.	3,500
Marion, Ia							
Marcus, Ia	Carmel	J. P. Nordstrom	61	20	Frame	Par.	2,000
Marshalltown, Ia			92	28	Brick	Par.	12,000
Meriden, Ia	St. Jacob's	J. P. Nordstrom	23	5			
Pilot Twp., Ia	Bethania	C. A. Lindahl	48	15			
Ruthven, Ia	Salem	E. C. Jessup	40				
Ryan, Ia							
Shenandoah, Ia	Immanuel	L. J. Sundquist	80	29	Frame	Par.	6,000
Sioux City, Ia	Immanuel	O. N. Verenius	107	72	Frame	Par.	7,000
Summitville, Ia	Victoria	E. A. Peterson	35	20	Frame		600
Spencer, Ia	Bethesda	E. C. Jessup	38	20	Frame	Par.	2,500
Vinton, Ia							
Bucklin, Mo	Bethlehem		31		Frame		900
Kansas City, Mo	Immanuel	J. A. Engwall	135	82	Stone	Par.	51,200
Mountain Grove, Mo							
St. Louis, Mo	Gethsemane	Carl J.Segerhammar	122	40	Brick	Par.	20,000
Swedeborg, Mo			28		Frame		1,000
Verona, Mo			18	12	Frame	Par.	800
Benson, Neb	Augustana	F. J. Ellman	23	28	Frame		4,250
Boyd Co., Neb	Messiah		41	20	Frame		1,000
Boyd Co., Neb	Rosendahl		79	46	Frame	Par.	5,000
Cheyenne Co., Neb	Smyrna	F. W. Bergquist	15	6	Log		400
Cheyenne Co., Neb	Peniel	J. E. Lindberg	10	8	Frame		250
Deuel Co., Neb	Berea	J. E. Lindberg	35	11	Frame	Par.	5,000
Deuel Co., Neb	Siloa	J. E. Lindberg	30	22	Stone		300
Florence, Neb	Ebenezer	F. J. Ellman	11	10	Frame		2,500

1. Augustana Synod (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars	Church Property. Ch.	Par.	Value of Property.
Genoa, Neb.	Augustana	Oscar Purn	64				
Greeley, Neb.	Concordia	J. F. Borg	72	20	Frame	Par.	5,000
Hershey, Neb.	Maria	C. G. Bloomquist	30	28			
Howard Co., Neb.	Immanuel		28		Frame		2,000
Kearney, Neb.		C. G. Bloomquist	48		Frame	Par.	6,000
Kimbal Co., Neb.	Karmel	F. W. Bergquist	16	7	Frame		200
Minden, Neb.	Nazareth	J. Holmquist	21	10	Frame		4,500
Norman, Neb.	Falun	J. Holmquist	30		Frame		2,650
Omaha, Neb.	Zion	Jno. V. Carlson	137	125	Brick		21,175
Osceola, Neb.	St. Paul	J. A. Jaeder	129	25	Frame	Par.	8,300
Raymond, Neb.	Ebenezer		19				
S. Omaha, Neb.	Gethsemane	O. A. Johnson	75	45	Frame		4,000
Valparaiso, Neb.	Ekedahl		45		Frame		1,300
West Hill, Neb.		Oscar Purn					
Cheyenne, Wyo.		J. P. Samuelson	21	6	Frame		5,200
Hanna, Wyo.							
Pine Bluffs, Wyo.							
Rawlins, Wyo.							
Rock Springs, Wyo.		J. P. Samuelson	18	14			
Bridgeport, Kans.		A. Bergin					
Brantford, Kans.	Zion	Aug. A. Norden	75	32	Stone	Par.	6,000
Chanute, Kans.		H. F. H. Hartelius					
Gove Co., Kans.	Saron		7		Stone		700
Johnstown, Kans.		A. Bergin					
Mt. Hope, Kans.		A. Bergin					
Page Co., Kans.	Bethesda	A. P. Martin	34	38	Frame		600
Rawlins Co., Kans.	Enne		47	32	Frame		500
Sharon Springs, Kans.	Saron	A. P. Martin	31	36	Frame	Par.	1,700
Swedeborg, Kans.		A. Bergin					
Trego Co., Kans.	Emanuel		53	24	Stone		2,000
Vilas, Kans.	Bethel	H. F. H. Hartelius	87	36	Frame	Par.	3,000
Ault, Colo.	Fridhem	F. O. W. Gustafson	48		Brick		5,000
Colorado Springs, Colo.		Carl Walleen	51	29	Frame		1,000
Cripple Creek, Colo.			24				
Denver, Colo.	Bethany	R. P. Acsell	102	135	Stone & Brick		10,000
Ft. Collins, Colo.							
Greeley, Colo.	Immanuel	F. O. W. Gustafson	92	45	Brick		8,000
Idaho Springs, Colo.	Zion		40		Frame	Par.	3,000
Leadville, Colo.	Bethania		66	50	Frame	Par.	2,000
Loveland, Colo.	Zion	John H. Nelson	74	12	Frame	Par.	5,000
Victor, Colo.	Nebo		55	35	Brick		3,000
Austin, Tex.	Gethsemane	G. A. Ekman	79	46	Brick	Par.	20,000
Dallas, Tex.	Immanuel		10				
Elcampo, Tex.	Phillippi	H. Colliander	128	35	Frame	Par.	5,500
Elroy, Tex.	Moline	Carl O. Nordell	61	23	Frame	Par.	3,975
Eriksdahl, Tex.	Bethel						
Ft. Worth, Tex.	Gustaf Adolf		44		Brick	Par.	14,500
Galveston, Tex.	Zion	G. A. Ekman	62	35	Frame		10,500
Manor, Tex.	Emmaus	A. E. Johnson	34	18	Frame		2,150
Olivia, Tex.	Eden	C. J. Damstrom	48	10	Frame		2,200
Arleta, Ore.	Tabor	B. S. Nystrom	10	10	Frame		1,200
*Astoria, Ore.	Memorial Eng.		44	65	Frame		3,500
Castlelaunch, Ore.							
Colton, Ore.	Carlsborg	C. J. Renhard	65		Frame		1,000
Cascade Lode, Ore.		B. S. Nystrom					
Clatskanie, Ore.		B. S. Nystrom					
Deep River, Ore.							
Fishhawk, Ore.		B. S. Nystrom					
Gooseberry, Ore.	Valby	B. S. Nystrom	46	7	Frame		1,000
Hammond, Ore.							
Lewis & Clarke, Ore.							
Magyer, Ore.	Columbia	B. S. Nystrom	20	20			
Melrose, Ore.	Eden	N. J. Sture	9				
Mist, Ore.	Bethlehem	B. S. Nystrom	32		Frame		800
Morgan, Ore.		B. S. Nystrom					
Portland, Ore.	Augustana	H. E. Sandstedt	199	120	Frame		7,500
Powell Valley, Ore.	Saron	A. V. Anderson	54	40	Frame		1,000
Stella, Ore.		B. S. Nystrom					
Warren, Ore.	Bethania	B. S. Nystrom	58	50	Frame		2,500
Aberdeen, Wash.	Siloam	J. Truedson	13	10			

1. Augustana Synod (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
Anacostes, Wash	Swedish	G.A.Anderson,D.D.	19	25	Frame		500
Ballard, Wash							
Bellingham, Wash	First		41		Frame		
Bothel, Wash	Johannes		19	20	Frame		1,000
Brush Prairie, Wash	Elim		50	15	Frame		1,500
Chinook, Wash							
Clearbrook, Wash	First		61	29	Frame		500
Ethel, Wash							
Everett, Wash	Trinity		40	47	Frame		3,000
Everett, Wash	Zion	A. V. Anderson	89	60	Frame		7,500
Ferndale, Wash	Immanuel		17		Frame		700
Green Lake, Wash							
Hartford, Wash	Ebenezer	J. Gullans	35	53	Lot		1,000
Hoquiam, Wash	Saron	J. Truedson	32	40			
Kent, Wash							
Mt. Vernon, Wash							
McNeil Island, Wash	Sunne	A. M. Green	37	12	Frame		700
Marysville, Wash							
New Castle, Wash							
North Yakima, Wash							
Olympia, Wash	Swedish-Finnish	A. M. Green	18	12	Frame		2,000
Port Blakely, Wash							
Raymond, Wash							
Rochester, Wash	Swedish-Finnish		41	20	Frame		2,200
Seattle, Wash	Bethany		50	72			10,000
Seattle, Wash	Swedish-Finnish	J. Gullans	50		Conc. & Frame		6,000
Sedro-Wooley, Wash		G.A.Anderson,D.D.	20				
Shamokawa, Wash	Bethania		30		Frame		1,000
S. Tacoma, Wash	Immanuel	A. M. Green	59	42	Frame	Par.	5,000
So. Bend, Wash	Ansgarii		8		Frame		500
Stella, Wash		B. S. Nystrom					
Three Lakes, Wash							
Waterman, Wash	Elim		34		Land		100
Hammond, B. C		C. R. Swanson					
New Westminster, B. C	Immanuel	C. R. Swanson	10		Frame		2,500
S. E. British Columbia		J. A. Levin					
Vancouver, B. C	First	C. R. Swanson	145	75	Brick		55,960
Eureka, Cal	Eureka	O. N. Glim	55	34	Frame	Par.	6,500
Fresno, Cal	First Sw. Luth	M. A. Nordstrom	35		Frame		5,000
Irwin City, Cal	Berea	M. A. Nordstrom	38	25	Frame		2,500
Kerman, Cal	Bethania	B. O. Berg	69	34	Frame		2,500
Riverside, Cal	Eden	L. N. Dahlsten	62	32	Frame		10,500
San Francisco, Cal	Emanuel	Waldo C. Ekeberg	33	73	Frame		7,500
Bingham Canyon, Utah	Bethlehem	E. Floreen	30		Frame		2,000
Eureka, Utah	Bethel	E. Floreen	17				
Heber, Utah		E. Floreen					
†Ogden, Utah	Elim	E. Floreen			Frame	Par.	6,000
Ophir, Utah		E. Floreen					
Park City, Utah	St. John's	E. Floreen			Frame		2,500
*Provo, Utah	Bethany	E. Floreen	2		Brick	Par.	5,000
Salt Lake City, Utah	Zion	E. Floreen	84	50	Brick	Par.	26,000
Santaquin, Utah	Nebo	E. Floreen			Frame		250
Black Foot, Idaho	Immanuel	Luther Stromquist			Lots		300
†Boise, Idaho	Immanuel	J. E. Barrington	50	30	Cr. and St.	Par.	14,000
Burley, Idaho			16		Frame		1,100
Coeur d' Alene, Idaho	Zion	G. E. Rydquist	87	80	Frame		3,000
Deary, Idaho							
†Idaho Falls, Idaho	Gustaf Adolf	Luther Stromquist	56				
Mika Peak, Idaho							
Mullan, Idaho							
Nora, Idaho							
*Payette, Idaho	Immanuel	J. E. Barrington	22	14	Frame		1,700
Shelley, Idaho	Bethel	Luther Stromquist			Frame		500
Wallace, Idaho							
Douglas, Alaska		J. H. Warmanen		34	Frame	Par.	6,000
Juneau, Alaska		J. H. Warmanen					
Anaconda, Mont	Zion	Carl W. Vetell			Brick	Par.	9,500
Barber, Mont		O. T. Floodberg					
Bonner, Mont							
Butte, Mont	Emanuel	J. W. Nyvall	65	61	Frame		5,000

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PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
E. Helena, Mont.		P. A. Fair					
Great Falls, Mont.	Bethlehem	C. A. Eckstrom	108	60	St. and Br		9,000
Helena, Mont.	St. John's	J. W. Nyvall	60	20	Brick	Par.	8,500
Hamilton, Mont.							
Lothrop, Mont.							
Missoula, Mont.	Emanuel	C. J. Bengston	80	40	Frame		6,000
Philipsburg, Mont.							
Atlanta, Ala.		J. J. Richard					
Birmingham, Ala.		J. J. Richard					
Ensley, Ala.		J. J. Richard					
Fruithurst, Ala.	Emanuel	J. J. Richard					
Thorsby, Ala.	Concordia	J. J, Richard	55	40	Frame		1,800
Silver Hill, Ala.	Zion	J. J. Richard					
De Land, Fla.		E. J. Werner					
Forest City, Fla.		E. J. Werner					
Hallandale, Fla.		E. J. Werner					
Miami, Fla.		E. J. Werner					
Pierson, Fla.	Ebenezer	E. J. Werner	48	10	Frame	Par.	5,000
Swea, Fla.		E. J. Werner					
Titusville, Fla.		E. J. Werner					
Upsala, Fla.		E. J. Werner	10	15	Frame		1,000
Total	487 Missions.	190 Missionaries.	20203	11069			$1,467 444

Of the 487 missions 475 are Swedish, 9 (marked *) are English, and 3 (marked †) are Swedish-English. v. p. signifies vice-pastor.

2. CANADA SYNOD.

Linwood (Mission)	St. Peter's					
Wellesley Twp	St. John's	Rev. O. Stockmann	270	73	Brick and Par	$12,000
Hesson	St. John's					
Auburn (Mission)	Salem's	Rev. J. Badke	71	15	Frame and Par	4,000
Massey	Zion				Brick and Par.	
Chalk River	Trinity				Frame	5,000
Mattawa	St. John's					
Latchford	Grace	Rev. M. Hamm	175	25		
Haleybury, 7 preach'gplaces	Zion					
Arnprior	St. John's				Frame and Par	
Admaston	St. James	Rev. Wm. Kupfer	180	65	Frame	7,000
Whitney	St. Peter's					
Mildmay	St. Matthew's				Brick	
Port Elgin	Salem's	Rev. R. Mosig	195	60	Brick	3,500
Southampton	Preaching Station					
Denbigh	St. Paul's					
Raglan	St. Stephen's	Rev. J. H. Reble	200	60	Frame and Par	4,500
Maynooth						
Plevna	Preaching					
Quadeville	Stations					
Total	27 missions	6 missionaries	1091	298		$36,000

3. NEW YORK MINISTERIUM.

Cartaret, N. J.	Zion	F. Hunzinger	90	28	Frame	$ 3,000
Coeyman's, N. Y.		F. E. Podszus				
Englewood, N. J.	St. Johannis	F. O. Evers	94	43	Frame	8,500
Hartford, Conn	Trinity	G. Gille	75	35	Hall	5,000
Jamesport, L. I., N. Y.		Vacant			Hall	
Madison, Conn.	Immanuel's	Vacant	22	30		5,000
New Bedford, N. Y.	St. Johannis	H. Mette	32	40		5,000
Paterson, N. J.	St. Johannis	C. R. Stolz	22	33	House	5,000
Watertown, N. Y.	Concordia	Y. Brandt	110	55		18,500
White Plains, N. Y.	St. Matthaeus	O. E. Heydenreich	120	65		3,500
Total	Missions 10	Missionaries 8	$ 565	329		$ 53,500

4. NOVA SCOTIA SYNOD

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars	Church Property. Ch.	Par.	Value of Property.
Bridgewater	Bridgewater Parish	W. E. Buchholtz	378	200	Frame		$ 17,800
Bridgewater	Conquerall Parish	G. B. Pifer	345	98	Frame		8,975
Wentzell's Lake	Northfield Parish	J. Fred Bermon	345	95	Frame		6,550
Midville	Midville Parish	D. K. Fetterley	377	50	Frame		6,550
Total	4 Missions	4 Missionaries	1443	443			$ 39,875

5. PENNSYLVANIA MINISTERIUM. (German Missions.)

Tacony, Phila., Pa		A. Biemuller	156	122	Frame		$20,000
Bristol, Phila., Pa		A. Biemuller	62	55	Stone		
Germantown, Phila., Pa	St. Thomas	H. P. Freseman	82	88	Stone		12,000
Philadelphia, Pa	Erloeser	O. Dietrich	21	92	Brick		4,000
Camden, N. J	Christus	P. Ludwig	122	131	Frame		5,500
Camden, N. J	Nazareth	F. Teegen	241	220	Frame		8,000
Gloucester, N. J	Bethanien	E. Saul	54	83	Concrete		8,000
Woodbury, N. J	St. Johannes	E. Saul	27	30			
Hainesport, N. J	St. Paul's	A. Neudoerffer	150	105	Frame		4,000
Williamstown, N. J	St. Johannes	P. Krepper	69	44	Frame		3,000
Carbondale, Pa	St. Paul's	R. L. Pfeil	120	105	Frame		7,000
S. Williamsport, Pa	Christus	G. W. Hasskarl	125	110	Frame		3,000
Philadelphia, Pa	St. John	(Danish)	40				
Philadelphia, Pa	St. Peter's	(Italian)					
Total	14 Missions	10 Missionaries	1269	1185			$ 76,500

6. PITTSBURGH SYNOD.

Ambridge, Pa	Zion	J. I. Shaud	123	145	Brick		$ 7,800
Ashtabula, Ohio	First English	C. L. V. Dozer	35	61	Brick		6,500
Avonmore, Pa	St. Andrew	C. E. Schweikert	28	29	Frame		4,000
Avonmore, Pa	St. James	C. E. Schweikert	50	60	Brick		2,000
Baden, Pa	Christ's	W. F. Pfeifer	70	132	Frame	Frame	10,000
Bellevue, Pa	Emmanuel	B. F. Hankey	152	179	Stone		25,000
Braddock, Pa	Trinity	W. A. Zundel	97	109	Frame	Brick	18,000
Bridgeport, Ohio	Trinity	P. Crickenberger	73	170	Brick	Brick	19,000
Bridgeville, Pa	Zion	P. J. C. Glatzert	60	81	Frame	Frame	6,000
Carrick, Pa	Ch. Redeemer	J. A. Waters	142	129	Frame		18,000
Conneaut, Ohio	Grace	J. C. F. Rupp	66	81	Brick		5,000
Conway, Pa	First Lutheran	W. F. Pfeifer	32	80	Brick		5,000
Corry, Pa	St. Paul's	W. A. Hall	46	46	Brick	Frame	4,000
Edmon, Pa	Grace	C. E. Schweikert	23	50			
Erie, Pa	Ch. of Redeemer	J. A. Beighey	45	46	Frame		3,000
Erie, Pa	Grace	Vacant	170	182	Frame		4,000
Erie, Pa	St. Matthew	H. F. Gruhn	140	173	Frame	Frame	7,500
Freeport, Pa	St. John's	J. Burgdorf	38		Brick		3,000
Ford City, Pa	St. John's	J. Burgdorf	67	63	Frame		4,000
Girard, Pa	St. John's	J. A. Beighey	39	33	Frame		2,500
Homestead, Pa	St. John's	G. L. Rankin	128	273	Frame		25,000
Hunker, Pa	St. Matthew	H. K. Shanor	45	100			
Jeanette, Pa	Christ (Ger.)	R. Schultig	35	20	Frame	Frame	6,000
Johnsonburg, Pa	St. John's	J. Mueller	147	128	Brick	Brick	5,500
Latrobe, Pa	Christ's (Ger.)	R. Schultig	64	24	Frame		6,000
Leetsdale, Pa	St. Matthew	E. O. Graham	73	102	Frame		3,500
Morgantown, W. Va	St. Paul's	W. E. Brinkman	162	139	Frame		15,000
Moundsville, W. Va	Zion's	H. F. Obenauf	25	63	Frame		3,500
Natrona, Pa	St. Peter's	J. W. Myers	114	163	Brick	Frame	10,700
North East, Pa	St. Peter's	Vacant	73	34	Brick		10,000
Osage, Ohio	Good Hope	C. E. Reed	48	49	Frame		2,000
Parkersburg, W. Va	St. John's	H. S. Gilbert	148	82	Frame	Frame	10,000
Pittcairn, Pa	St. Mark's	Vacant	44	144	Frame		2,300
Pittsburgh, Pa	Epiphany	Ira M. Wallace	43	44	Frame		4,000
Pittsburgh, Pa	Grace	S. K. Herbster	110	300	Frame		10,000
Saltsburg, Pa	St. John's	G. C. Stacy	76	38	Brick		7,000
Saltsburg, Pa	Fennelton	G. C. Stacy	48	44	Frame		2,000

6. PITTSBURGH SYNOD (Continued)

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
Sewickley, Pa.	St. Paul's	P. J. C. Glatzert	50	41			4,000
South Sharon, Pa.	Grace	G. J. Diener	58	113	Frame		9,000
Springdale, Pa.	St. Mark's	J. D. Roth	52	45	Frame		500
Tarentum, Pa.	Grace	J. D. Roth	52	47	Frame		4,000
Trafford, Pa.	St. Mark's	Vacant	23	37			
Verona, Pa.	Trinity	J. J. Myers	114	94	Frame		8,000
Wall Rose, Pa.	St. Matthew	J. A. Shaud	86	43	Frame		3,500
Wellsville, Ohio.	Zion	C. E. Reed	25	91	Frame		3,500
Wheeling, W. Va.	Christ's	F. C. Snyder	68	125	Frame		12,000
Whitaker, Pa.	Trinity	G. L. Rankin	43	140			
Woodlawn, Pa.	House of Prayer	D. L. Roth	35	32			7,300
Youngwood, Pa.	St. Luke	H. K. Shanor	144	120	Brick		9,000
Total	49 Missions	35 Missionaries	3606	4424			$ 326,300

RECAPITULATION OF GENERAL COUNCIL HOME MISSIONS.

1. Missions Supported by	Number of Missions.	No. of Missionaries.	Communicant Members.	Sunday School Members.	Value of Church Property.
General Council English Board	118	77	9,738	13,368	$978,003
General Council German Board	68	29	4,090	.....	122,250
Augustana Synod (Swedish and English)	487	190	20,203	11,069	1,467,444
Canada Synod (German)	27	6	1,091	298	36,000
New York Ministerium (German)	10	8	565	329	53,500
Nova Scotia Synod (English)	4	4	1,445	443	39,875
Pennsylvania Ministerium (German & Danish)	14	10	1,269	1,185	74,000
Pittsburgh Synod (English and German)	49	35	3,606	4,424	326,300
Total	777	359	42,007	31,116	$3,097,372

2. MISSIONS ACCORDING TO STATES, TERRITORIES AND PROVINCES.

United States.

Alabama	6
Alaska	2
California	7
Colorado	10
Connecticut	14
District of Columbia	1
Florida	8
Idaho	12
Illinois	35
Indiana	6
Iowa	29
Kansas	12
Kentucky	1
Maine	2
Maryland	1
Massachusetts	19
Michigan	18
Minnesota	68
Missouri	6
Montana	12
Nebraska	22
New Hampshire	1
New Jersey	23
New York	41
North Dakota	13
Ohio	23
Oregon	26
Pennsylvania	116
Rhode Island	1
South Dakota	10
Texas	9
Utah	11
Washington	44
West Virginia	4
Wisconsin	36
Wyoming	5
Total	654

CANADA.

Alberta	29
British Columbia	5
Manitoba	25
Nova Scotia	4
Ontario	34
Saskatchewan	26
Total	123
Grand Total	777

3. MISSIONS ACCORDING TO LANGUAGE.

A. English Missions.

Synods.	Churches	Communicants
Augustana	15	841
Central Canada	4	187
Chicago	13	1,478
New York and New England	11	1,138
Northwest	17	1,103
Nova Scotia	4	1,445
Ohio District	17	893
Pacific	6	378
Pennsylvania	50	4,561
Pittsburgh	47	3,507
Total	184	15,531

B. German Missions.

Synods.	Churches	Communicants
Canada	27	1,091
Manitoba	52	3,469
New York	11	665
Pacific	15	521
Pennsylvania	12	1,229
Pittsburgh	2	99
Total	119	7,074

C. Swedish Missions.

Synods.	Churches	Communicants
Augustana	472	19,362

D. Danish.

Pennsylvania	2	

Summary of General Council Missions.

English Missions	184	15,531
German Missions	119	7,074
Swedish Missions	472	19,362
Danish Missions	2	40
Grand Total	777	42,007

APPENDIX

CONSTITUTION

Of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

In the name of the blessed Trinity and adorable Unity, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, We, the Synods representing the Congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, which desire to form a Union on the basis of God's Word, and of the true confession of the same, in order that among us the Gospel may be purely preached, and the sacraments be administered conformably to God's Word; that a thorough harmony in faith, worship and discipline may be maintained, and that all holy works may be promoted,—do hereby declare the principles of Doctrine and Polity here annexed to be fundamental and unchangeable, and in accordance with them, ordain and establish the Constitution thereafter following.

PRINCIPLES OF FAITH AND CHURCH POLITY.

Of Faith.

I. There must be and abide through all time, one holy Christian Church, which is the assembly of all believers, among whom the Gospel is purely preached, and the Holy Sacraments are administered, as the Gospel demands.

To the true Unity of the Church, it is sufficient that there be agreement touching the doctrine of the Gospel, that it be preached in one accord, in its pure sense, and that the Sacraments be administered conformably to God's Word.

II. The true Unity of a particular Church, in virtue of which men are truly members of one and the same Church, and by which any Church abides in real identity, and is entitled to a continuation of her name, is unity in doctrine and faith, and in the Sacraments, to wit: That she continues to teach and to set forth, and that her true members embrace from the heart, and use, the articles of faith and the Sacraments as they were held and administered when the Church came into distinctive being and received a distinctive name.

III. The Unity of the Church is witnessed to, and made manifest in, the solemn public and official Confessions which are set forth, to wit: The generic Unity of the Christian Church in the general Creeds, and the specific Unity of pure parts of the Christian Church in their specific Creeds; one chief object of both classes of which Creeds is, that Christians who are in the Unity of faith, may know each other as such, and may have a visible bond of fellowship.

IV. That Confessions may be such a test of Unity and bond of Union, they must be accepted in every statement of doctrine in their own true, native, original and only sense. Those who set them forth and subscribe

them must not only agree to use the same words, but must use and understand those words in one and the same sense.

V. The Unity of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, as a portion of the holy Christian Church, depends upon her abiding in one and the same faith, in confessing which she obtained her distinctive being and name, her political recognition, and her history.

VI. The Unaltered Augsburg Confession is by preeminence the Confession of that faith. The acceptance of its doctrines and the avowal of them without equivocation or mental reservation, make, mark and identify that Church, which alone in the true, original, historical and honest sense of the term is the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

VII. The only Churches, therefore, of any land, which are properly in the Unity of that Communion, and by consequence entitled to its name, Evangelical Lutheran, are those which sincerely hold and truthfully confess the doctrines of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession.

VIII. We accept and acknowledge the doctrines of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession in its original sense as throughout in conformity with the pure truth of which God's Word is the only rule. We accept its statements of truth as in perfect accordance with the Canonical Scriptures: We reject the errors it condemns, and believe that all which it commits to the liberty of the Church, of right belongs to that liberty.

IX. In thus formally accepting and acknowledging the Unaltered Augsburg Confession, we declare our conviction, that the other Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, inasmuch as they set forth none other than its system of doctrine, and articles of faith, are of necessity pure and scriptural. Pre-eminent among such accordant pure and scriptural statements of doctrine, by their intrinsic excellence, by the great and necessary ends for which they were prepared, by their historical position, and by the general judgment of the Church, are these: the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalcald Articles, the Catechisms of Luther, and the Formula of Concord, all of which are, with the Unaltered Augsburg Confession, in the perfect harmony of one and the same scriptural faith.

Of Ecclesiastical Power and Church Government.

I. All power in the Church belongs primarily, properly and exclusively to our Lord Jesus Christ, "true God begotten of the Father from eternity, and true man, born of the Virgin Mary," Mediator between God and men, and Supreme Head of the Church. This supreme and direct power is not delegated to any man or body of men upon earth.

II. All just power exercised by the Church has been committed to her for the furtherance of the Gospel, through the Word and Sacraments, is conditioned by this end, and is derivative and pertains to her as the servant of Jesus Christ.

The Church, therefore, has no power to bind the conscience, except as she truly teaches what her Lord teaches, and faithfully commands what He has charged her to command.

III. The absolute directory of the Will of Christ is the Word of God,

the Canonical Scriptures, interpreted in accordance with the "mind of the Spirit," by which Scriptures the Church is to be guided in every decision. She may set forth no article of faith which is not taught by the very letter of God's Word, or derived by just and necessary inference from it, and her liberty concerns those things only which are left free by the letter and spirit of God's Word.

IV. The primary bodies through which the power is normally exercised, which Christ commits derivatively and ministerially to His Church on earth, are the Congregations. The Congregation, in the normal state, is neither the Pastor without the People, nor the People without the Pastor.

V. In Congregations exists the right of representation. In addition to the Pastor, who by their voluntary election is already *ex-officio* their representative, the people have the right to choose representatives from their own number to act for them, under such constitutional limitations as the Congregation approves.

VI. The representatives of Congregations thus convened in Synod, and acting in accordance with those conditions of mutual congregational compact, which are called a Constitution, are for the ends, and with the limitations defined in it, representatively, the Congregations themselves.

A free, Scriptural General Council or Synod, chosen by the Church, is, within the metes and bounds fixed by the Church, which chooses it, representatively that Church itself; and in this case is applicable the language of the Appendix to the Smalcald Articles, "The judgments of Synods are the judgments of the Church."

VII. The Congregations representatively constituting the various district Synods, may elect delegates through those Synods to represent themselves in a more general body, all decisions of which, when made in conformity with the solemn compact of the Constitution, bind, so far as the terms of mutual agreement make them binding, those Congregations which consent, and continue to consent, to be represented in that General Body.

VIII. If the final decision of any General Body thus constituted shall seem to any Synod within it, in conflict with the faith, involving violation of the rights of conscience, it is the duty of the Synod to take such steps as shall be needed to prevent a compromise on its part with error. To this end, it may withdraw itself from relations which make it responsible for departure from the faith of the Gospel, or for an equivocal attitude towards it. Such steps should not be taken on any but well defined grounds of Conscience, not on mere suspicion, nor until prayerful, earnest and repeated efforts to correct the wrong have proved useless, and no remedy remains but withdrawal.

IX. The obligation, under which Congregations consent to place themselves, to conform to the decisions of Synods, does not rest on any assumption that Synods are infallible, but on the supposition that the decisions have been so guarded by wise constitutional provisions as to create a higher moral probability of their being true and rightful than the decisions in conflict with them, which may be made by single Congregations or individuals. All final decisions should be guarded with the utmost care, so

that they shall in no case claim without just grounds to be the judgment of those Congregations in whose name and by whose authority they are made—in the absence of which just grounds they are null and void.

X. In the formation of a General Body, the Synods may know and deal with each other only as Synods. In such case, the official record is to be accepted as evidence of the doctrinal position of each Synod, and of the principles for which alone the other Synods become responsible by connection with it.

XI. The leading objects for which Synods should be organized are:

1. The maintenance and diffusion of sound doctrine, as the same is taught in God's Word and confessed in the authorized standards of the Church.

2. When controversies arise in regard to articles of faith, to decide them in accordance with God's Word and the pure confessions of that Word.

3. The proper regulation of the human externals of worship, that the same, in character and administration, may be in keeping with the spirit of the New Testament and with the liberty of the Church, and may edify the Body of Christ.

4. The maintenance of pure discipline, to the fostering of holiness and fidelity in the ministry and people.

5. The devising and executing of wise and Scriptural counsels and plans for carrying on the work of the Church, in every department of beneficent labor for the souls and bodies of men, at home and abroad.

All these things are to be done, that the saving power of the Gospel may be realized, that good order may be maintained and that all unsoundness in faith and life may be averted, that God may be glorified, and that Christ our King may rule in a pure, peaceful and active Church.

Article I.

Sec. 1. The power granted in this Constitution by the Congregations through the Synods, shall be vested in a body which shall be called the *General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.*

Sec. 2. It shall be composed of delegates chosen by the Synods represented in it, as nearly as possible in the ratio of one ordained minister and one lay delegate to every ten pastoral charges connected with a Synod; any remainder over five shall entitle to two additional delegates; but in any case, a Synod represented shall be entitled to two delegates. The mode of filling vacancies in a delegation shall be determined by each Synod for itself. The General Council shall have power to reduce the ratio, so that the total number of delegates shall not much exceed two hundred. The President of each Synod shall be *ex-officio* a delegate, and shall be one of the regular number of delegates to which a Synod is entitled. The General Council shall have the power of extending the privilege of debate to the representatives of Synods which adopt the Fundamental Principles, but which have not ratified the Constitution.

Sec. 3. The General Council shall meet at such time not less than once

in three years, and such place, as a majority shall determine by ballot. In extraordinary cases, the President, Secretaries and Treasurer may change time and place; and should a necessity arise which, in the judgment of three-fourths of the whole number of officers, demands an extraordinary session of the body, they shall be empowered to call it, and the delegates to the Convention last held shall be entitled to seats in it, unless new ones have been chosen.

A majority of the delegates elect shall form a quorum. If only a minority should convene, they may adjourn from time to time until there is a quorum, or until a final adjournment becomes necessary. Provision shall be made by its own action for rules of order. The languages in general use in its Congregations shall have equal rights. The expenses of delegates shall be met as the Synods they represent shall see fit, unless some other plan be proposed by the General Council.

Sec. 4. The Powers and Duties of the General Council shall be these:

1. To guard the purity of the Faith and the right administration of the Sacraments; to devise and execute plans for the increase of a holy, able and effective ministry, especially by establishing or encouraging good institutions of learning and theological schools; to circulate Evangelical truth through the press; to promote the religious training of the young, especially in schools under the control of the Church, and in the use of the Catechism of the Church; to provide and encourage institutions and agencies for the relief of poverty and suffering, especially among orphans and widows, and the families of superannuated, disabled or deceased clergymen; to carry on the work of Missions abroad and at home, especially among the scattered members of our own Church, and to solicit and use the funds necessary for these and other purposes defined in this Constitution.

2. To recommend or prepare suitable books, for official use, in conducting public worship, so that uniformity may be promoted among the churches. No Liturgy or Hymn Book should be used in public worship except by its advice or consent, which consent shall be presumed in regard to all such books now used, until the General Council shall have formally acted upon them.

3. At its discretion, to receive and act upon questions of doctrine, worship or discipline, referred to it by any of its Synods; to decide upon appeal on any of these points, made by one Synod from the decisions and acts of another, and to receive a final appeal from congregations or individuals whose cases have passed through the processes required respectively by the Constitutions of the Congregations, Conferences and District Synods to which the previous decision belonged; to summon and examine any clerical or lay member of the congregations represented in it, whose presence it shall deem necessary to the decision of questions committed to it.

4. To collect statistics and information in regard to the Churches, within its own bounds and elsewhere, and to correspond with other bodies in

the unity of the faith with it, and to send and receive delegates to and from such bodies.

Article II.

Sec. 1. The *Officers* of the General Council shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurer, all of whom, except the Vice-Presidents, shall be elected by ballot at each Convention, to serve until the organization of the next.

Sec. 2. The *President* shall be a clergyman; he shall preside at all sessions of the General Council, shall have the appointment of committees, unless the Council otherwise direct; shall make it the object of his special care that the Constitution be observed, and that the resolutions of the General Council be carried out; and shall sign official papers at its order.

Sec. 3. The Presidents of the District Synods shall be the *Vice-Presidents* of the General Council. In case of the death, resignation or disability of the President, the Powers and duty of his office shall devolve upon the Vice-President from the Synod oldest in organization, and if he should be for any reason unable or unwilling to assume these powers and duties, the same principle of the time of Synodical organization shall be observed until the place is thus supplied. The Synod from whose delegates the President is elected shall not be entitled to a Vice-President.

Sec. 4. The *Secretaries* may be chosen from the clerical or lay delegates. There shall be one Recording and one Corresponding Secretary for each language in general use in the Convention, and at their request the Chair at its discretion may appoint assistants.

Sec. 5. The *Recording Secretaries* shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the General Council. The *Corresponding Secretaries* shall conduct the correspondence of the body, subject to its order.

Sec. 6. The *Treasurer* may be chosen from the clerical or lay delegates. He shall hold and use the funds of the General Council, subject to its order.

Sec. 7. The Officers of the General Council shall form the *General Executive Committee,* to whom shall be referred for advice, decision or execution, any matters which a majority of the Council may see fit to commit to them; and in particular questions involving Synodical rights, the Council may give them the power of veto, with instructions as to time. Any resolution vetoed by them shall require a vote of two-thirds of the Council to sustain it.

Article III.

Sec. 1. The District Synods forming the General Council shall give full faith and credit to official records of each others' acts, unless it shall be decided by the General Council that such records are unworthy of confidence.

Sec. 2. Ministers and members of its Synods shall be entitled, on due certificate, to the rights accorded to ministers and members by the Constitution of any other of its Synods into whose bounds they may move, and

the discipline of ministers or members administered in one Synod shall not be set aside by another.

Sec. 3. The bounds of Synods shall be as nearly as possible geographical, and shall be determined by the Synods themselves, unless differences arise, in which case, on appeal of both or either, the General Council shall decide. No division of Synods, or formation of new Synods within the bounds of older ones, unless with the concurrence of all the parties concerned, can be made without the consent of the General Council.

Sec. 4. Synods ratifying this Constitution and the Fundamental Articles of Faith and Church Polity, may become parts of the General Council, by a vote of two-thirds of its delegates.

Sec. 5. In case any of the Synods forming this body shall, by acts or neglects, violate this Constitution, the General Council shall call the attention of the Synod involved, to the fact, and may advise, admonish and reprove, as the case may require. If there be obstinate persistence in violation of the Constitution, Synods may be suspended from connection until the wrong be corrected. A vote of two-thirds shall be required to recommend the suspension of a Synod, and the recommendation shall be acted on at the next annual session, and a vote of two-thirds shall be required to sustain it. Synods under charges shall have the full rights of debate and vote until the decision is made.

Article IV.

Sec. 1. Amendments to the Constitution may be offered at any meeting of the General Council, and if recommended by a vote of two-thirds, shall be proposed to the District Synods, and if ratified by three-fourths of the same shall become parts of this Constitution.

Sec. 2. The Fundamental Articles of Faith and Church Polity shall not be changed; and if it shall be proposed to add any articles to the Constitution, to fix their meaning still more precisely, or secure their object more thoroughly, such Articles shall require the assent of every Synod within the General Council.

BY-LAWS.

I.

(1) Each Convention of the General Council shall be opened with the full morning service, including the Lord's Supper, as prescribed in the Church Book.

(2) The Sermon at the opening service shall be preached by the President of the General Council, or some member whom he may designate; other appointments for religious services during the Convention shall be made by the President, in connection with the Pastor of the Church in which the services are held.

(3) The Presiding Officer shall organize the Convention according to Article I, Sec. 2, of the Constitution. He shall require certificates of appointment from delegates claiming seats, and decide upon the validity of

credentials. An appeal from his decision may be made to the Convention, after the whole number of certificates shall have been presented.

(4) No Member of the General Council shall be permitted to absent himself from the sessions of the Convention without valid excuse, of which the Council shall be the judge.

(5) Each session of the Convention shall be opened and closed with devotional exercises.

(6) The first two morning sessions after the opening of the Convention shall be devoted to the discussion of doctrinal points and important practical questions.

II. ORDER OF BUSINESS.

First Day.

(1) Opening of the Convention, according to the order prescribed for such occasions.

(2) Calling of the Roll of Synods in connection with the General Council, and recording of the names of Delegates.

(3) Admission of new Synods.

(4) Election of Officers.

(5) Reading of the Minutes of last Convention, or the reference of them to a Committee.

(6) Report of Treasurer, and reference of it to a Committee for audit.

(7) Reception of Minutes or Reports from the Synods, and any other Documents intended for the General Council.

(8) Reception of Representatives of Synods, according to last clause of Article I, Sec. 2, of Constitution.

(9) Giving of notice of important business to be brought before the General Council for its action.

(10) Appointment of Committees by the President to report on documents and papers which have been presented, demanding the attention of the General Council.

(11) The determination of questions of special order for subsequent sessions, or other miscellaneous business.

Other Days.

1. Calling of the Roll.
2. Reading and approval of the Minutes.
3. Unfinished Business.
4. Reports of Standing Committees.
5. Reports of Special Committees.
6. Any other business.

III. RULES OF ORDER.

(1) All reports and propositions intended for the action of the General Council shall, as far as possible, be presented in each language in general use in the Council.

(2) No subject shall be regarded as properly before the General Council which has not first been moved, seconded, and committed to writing.

(3) When a motion is made and seconded, if objection be made to the discussion of it, the question shall be put to the Convention whether it shall be discussed or not; and if decided in the negative, the motion cannot be entertained, and shall not be entered upon the Minutes, except by order of the Convention.

(4) When a motion or proposition made and seconded has in it two or more points capable of separation, the question shall be divided at the request of any member of the Convention, and the vote taken on each point separately.

(5) A motion or proposition before the Convention may, at any time during the discussion of it, be withdrawn by the mover, provided no objection be made to such withdrawal.

(6) Amendments to any motion or proposition before the Convention are always in order, but not beyond the third degree.

(7) When a question is under discussion, no other motion shall be entertained, except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone, to refer, to amend, or to close debate. The question on such motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here enumerated, and must be taken without debate, unless the motion be to refer or amend.

(8) When the vote upon a question has been taken, the subject shall not again be brought up, or any further discussed, unless a motion by one who voted with the majority has first been made and passed to reconsider the action.

(9) The President shall decide all questions of order; but any member may appeal from his decision to the Convention, in which case all remarks, except for explanation, shall cease, until the vote is taken.

(10) All questions shall be taken by calling for the Ayes and Noes, or, in cases of doubt, by rising. But if five members request it, the roll shall be called, and the Yeas and Nays recorded.

(11) Members in speaking shall address the President, avoid improper personalities, or disrespectful language, and keep strictly to the subject under consideration. No one shall be interrupted in his remarks except with his consent, or for explanations that may render them unnecessary, or for violations of the Rules of Order.

(12) No member shall speak more than twice on the same motion without permission of the Convention. The President shall not take part in the discussions without leaving the chair and appointing some one to occupy it in his stead, for the time being.

THE CHARTER.

AN ACT

To Incorporate the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is*

hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That C. P. Krauth, C. W. Schaeffer, W. A. Passavant and S. Gross Fry, of Pennsylvania, Peter P. Keller, of New York, E. G. Carlsson, of Illinois, and J. H. Sieker, of Minnesota, and their successors in office duly elected, as hereinafter specified, be and they are hereby constituted and declared a body politic and corporate in deed and in law, by the name and style and title of *Trustees of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.*

SECTION 2. That said corporation shall have perpetual succession, and the right to hold lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises and other hereditaments, and also personal property which may be conveyed, assigned, transferred, devised and bequeathed to them, or to any person or persons in trust for them, and the same shall be vested in said corporation forever, for such uses and purposes as said conveyances, assignments, transfers, bequests and devises were respectively made or intended; and said corporation is hereby declared to be seized and possessed of such estates and interests therein as in and by said conveyances, assignments, transfers, bequests and devises thereof, is or are declared, limited, expressed or intended. And further, said corporation shall have all the rights, franchises and powers which by law pertain to corporations, the right to hold and possess real and personal property yielding a net annual income not exceeding fifty thousand ($50,000) dollars, and the same to sell, convey and dispose of at pleasure, but said limitation not to be construed as including the annual or periodical collections and voluntary contributions made in the churches under the care of said General Council, or contributions from any other source: *Provided,* That in cases where special instructions for the management and disposal of any of the real or personal property of the corporation shall be given by the General Council in writing under the hand of their Secretary, it shall be the duty of said corporation to act according to such instructions.

SECTION 3. That no misnomer of said corporation shall defeat or annul any gift, grant, devise or bequest to or from said corporation: *Provided,* That the intent of such gift, grant, devise or bequest shall sufficiently appear, that the same was intended to pass to or from said corporation.

SECTION 4. That said corporation shall have power to adopt and use one common seal, and the same to break, alter, amend and renew at pleasure.

SECTION 5. That said corporation, by the name, style and title aforesaid, shall be able to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity or before any alderman or justice of the peace, in all manner of suits, complaints, pleas, matters and demands of whatever nature, kind or form the same may be.

SECTION 6. That said corporation shall have full power to make, pass and establish by-laws for the proper administration of the funds and the due government of said corporation: *Provided,* That said by-laws be not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States or the constitution or laws of this Commonwealth.

SECTION 7. That said corporators shall compose the Board of Trustees of said corporation, until the next regular meeting of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of North America, when two trustees in addition shall be elected by said General Council, who with said corporators shall constitute thereafter the full Board of Trustees, who shall be divided into three classes of three members each, in alphabetical order, and whose term of office shall expire as follows, to wit: The term of office for the first class shall expire on the third Monday of November, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two; the term of office of the second class shall expire on the third Monday of November, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three; and the term of office of the third class shall expire on the third Monday of November, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four. Further, the said General Council shall, at their regular meeting in the year Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and annually thereafter, elect three persons to serve as trustees, to supply the places of those whose term of office shall expire as aforesaid: *Provided, nowever,* that on failure to elect trustees as aforesaid, or in case of death, resignation or other inability, those remaining in office shall have full power to fill such vacancies until the next regular meeting of said General Council.

SECTION 8. That five members of this corporation shall constitute a quorum, and be a sufficient number to transact the business of said corporation, to make by-laws, rules and regulations, whose regular meetings shall be held annually during the sessions of General Council. Special and adjourned meetings may also be held: *Provided,* That previous to any special meeting of said corporation not appointed by adjournment, it shall be the duty of the officer calling a meeting, to cause notice to be sent by mail to each member ten days prior to such meeting. And said corporation may, as often as shall be prescribed by the by-laws, elect from said Board of Trustees, a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and other officers.

SECTION 9. That all questions before said corporation, shall be decided by a majority of the trustees present. And said corporation shall keep regular and fair entries of their proceedings, and a just account of their receipts and disbursements, in a book or books kept for that purpose; and the Treasurer shall exhibit to said General Council, at each regular meeting, an exact statement of the accounts of said corporation.

JAMES H. WEBB,
Speaker of the House of Reps.

WILLIAM A. WALLACE,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved the 29th day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

JNO. W. GEARY.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH,
HARRISBURG, June 4th, A. D. 1871.

Pennsylvania, ss:

I do hereby certify, That the foregoing and annexed is a full, true [SEAL] and correct copy of the original Act of the General Assembly, entitled *"An Act to incorporate the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America,"* as the same remains on file in this office. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Secretary's office to be affixed, the day and year above written.

J. M. WEAKLEY,
Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth.

SOME GENERAL COUNCIL RULES ON REPORTS.

(See additional Rules, page 246.)

1. TO BE SENT IN ADVANCE TO THE SECRETARY FOR PRINTING.

Reports of Committees and Boards intended for presentation to the General Council and for ultimate insertion into its Minutes shall be sent to the English Recording Secretary of the Council, who shall have them printed, when necessary, in consultation with the Committee or Board in question before the opening of Council. (1909, p. 30.)

2. UNDIGESTED DETAILS TO BE REFERRED.

In all Reports submitted to the Council, the consideration of undigested details shall be referred, as far as possible, to special committees, which shall first put them in proper form before they come to discussion upon the floor. (1909, p. 29.)

3. UNPRINTED REPORTS NOT TO BE READ.

In cases where reports of Standing Committees or Boards are not printed, no descriptive matter, or matter referring simply to past progress, and without looking toward a recommendation or action on the point under consideration, shall be read, unless specially called for by a majority vote of the Council. (1909, p. 31.)

4. ONLY TOTALS TO BE READ.

In cases where reports are printed and before the eye of the Council, itemized accounts shall not be read unless called for, but only the totals at the foot of the columns. This does not apply to the Report of the Treasurer of the Council. (1909, p. 31.)

5. TIME LIMIT ON BOARD REPORTS.

In the order of business, two hours' time shall be the maximum allowed for any Board or Standing Committee to present and consider its business, unless the rule be suspended by a three-fourths vote; and the presentation or consideration of the business of the Board or Committee in question still unfinished shall go over until after the remaining Boards

and important Standing Committees have been heard, when consideration of it shall be resumed prior to the introduction of any new business, for another period not exceeding two hours. (1909, p. 29.)

6. Action on Reports to Follow.

All action taken under a Report shall appear directly under the original document with a reference to the session in which the action was taken. (1909, p. 248.)

7. A consolidation of institutional reports into one general report on Inner Mission Work.

(a) The Committee on Inner Mission Work shall be charged with proposing a report which shall include in itself the statistics of all the Inner Mission institutions and agencies within the General Council.

(b) All Inner Mission agencies and institutions of the General Council shall be charged with the duty of sending their reports sufficiently in advance to the chairman of the Committee on Inner Mission Work to enable him to tabulate and complete his report.

(c) When the report of Inner Mission work of the General Council is presented to the Council, such representatives of institutions and Inner Mission agencies as may be present at the Council shall be given the privilege of the floor in the order of the presentation of the report of the institutions with which they are connected, to emphasize such items in the report as may be deemed desirable. (1909, p. 28.)

APPORTIONMENTS.

1. The annual amounts apportioned by the General Council to the several Synods are due and payable between the first day of January and June of each year. (1909, p. 60.)

SECOND MEETING OF THE ARBITRATION COMMISSION.

(Printed for general information.)

The Joint Commission of the Arbitration Committees of the General Council and the General Synod met in Lancaster, Pa., September 18, 1911, for the purpose of considering the protests which had been referred to the Commission for Arbitration. For the successful carrying on of the work and also the work of co-operation in the future, and to establish a basis for arbitration, it was deemed essential and resolved that the Commission first define clearly the terms of the compact of 1895-7 (See General Council Minutes 1895, page 17, and General Council Minutes 1897, page 63) and more particularly the word "field" found in said original regulations.

The action taken by the Commission was reported to the General Council in session at Trinity Church, Lancaster, Pa., September 19, 1911, and adopted. (See page 245.) The Council thereupon continued its com-

mittee, authorizing the continuation of the work along said lines, and the arbitration of protested cases that may be presented to the Commission. Pursuant to this, the Joint Commission met in the First Lutheran Church at Pittsburgh, Pa., November 1, 1911, to ascertain and define mission territory as provided under resolution No. 2 of the meeting at Lancaster, Pa., when it was resolved by the Joint Commission to officially notify the Home Mission Boards of the General Council and the General Synod of the following action of this Commission, to which said Boards shall be expected to adhere and conform.

I. In States not mentioned herein, general rule No. 1, adopted at Lancaster, Pa., shall apply.

II. The States of Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, California, and Texas are to be regarded as the special fields of the General Synod.

III. The States of Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, the Province of British Columbia, and the territory of Alaska are to be regarded as the special fields of the General Council.

As to Wisconsin, it is understood that the assignment of this State to the General Council is not to be construed as an interference with the work of the congregations already established there by the General Synod.

IV. The work now being carried on by the General Synod or the General Council, in languages other than English, throughout the Provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, and New Brunswick shall not be interfered with in any way.

Regarding the English Home Mission work, the division of this territory shall be referred to the Home Mission Boards of the General Bodies herein represented. In case the Boards shall fail to agree, the final assignment shall be made by this Joint Commission.

V. The occupation of a special field assigned by this Commission to one of the General Bodies shall not be to the exclusion of a congregation or congregations belonging to the other General Body already existing on the same territory, nor interfere with their development.

VI. Should one General Body at any time be petitioned to do work on the special field assigned to the other General Body, the petitioners shall first be directed to the Board in charge of the territory; and, in the event of their failure to satisfy the petitioners, application shall be made by the Mission Board of the party thus petitioned to the Mission Board of the party occupying the special field; nor shall such work be begun without the consent of both Boards. In case of disagreement of these Boards the matter shall be referred to this Joint Commission for final adjudication.

It was further resolved, that these bases having been established and unanimously adopted by the Commission, the matter of protests from individual congregations, district synods, or mission boards shall now be taken up for arbitration.

W. D. C. Keiter,
Chairman.

Attest: H. A. Weller, *Secretary.*

CONSTITUTION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Article I.—*Name.*

The name of this Association shall be The Women's Missionary Society of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

Article II.—*Object.*

Its object shall be—

First. To exert all possible effort, by the grace and power of God, to fulfill the great commission of our risen and triumphant Lord,—"Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway even unto the end of the world" (Matt. 28:19, 20).

Second. To unite all the Women's Synodical Societies within its bounds for the mutual strengthening and furthering of the work of each of its constituent parts.

Third. To co-operate with the Boards of Missions and Church Extension, and to execute all its missionary operations through the regularly constituted channels of the General Council and its respective Synods.

Article III.—*Membership.*

The voting members of this Society shall consist of the officers, the department chairmen, the presidents of Synodical Societies, and one member from each Synodical organization for every five Societies in its membership. Where there is no Synodical Societies, and one member from each Synodical organization for every five Societies in its membership. Where there is no Synodical Society Conference Societies shall be entitled to similar representations.

Article IV.—*Officers.*

The elective officers shall be a President, a Recording Secretary, a Statistical and Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by ballot at each convention.

No elective officer, except the Treasurer, shall be eligible for more than two consecutive terms.

The presidents of the Synodical Societies, in the order of their organization, shall be Vice-Presidents of the General Council Society.

Article V.—*The Executive Committee.*

The officers of the Society, together with the chairmen of all the standing committees, shall constitute the Executive Committee, to manage the Society's affairs between the sessions. This Executive Committee shall hold a regular meeting annually, and special meetings at the call of five members.

A quorum shall consist of five members.

Article VI.—*Meetings.*

A meeting shall be held biennially, at such time and place as shall be appointed by the Executive Committee. Appointments for public services during the sessions shall be made in conjunction with the pastor of the church in which the convention is held. Each session shall be opened and closed with devotional service.

Article VII.—*Finances.*

The dues shall be $5.00 a year from each Synodical Society numbering less than 1,000 members, and $10.00 a year from each Synodical Society numbering over 1,000 members.

Voluntary gifts from individuals, or from local Societies, may be received at any time, to be devoted to the expenses of the organization. Any person contributing ten dollars ($10) shall be enrolled for life on the honorary list of sustaining members.

The single payment of $25 in memory of a departed friend shall constitute a membership "In Memoriam."

Article VIII.—*Amendments.*

Any amendment or addition to this Constitution may be made at any regular meeting of the Society, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, provided that said amendment or addition has been proposed at a previous regular meeting of the Society, or of the Executive Committee, and has been published in the Church papers two months prior to the Convention.

GENERAL COUNCIL APPORTIONMENTS

FOR EACH YEAR OF BIENNIUM

1911-13

Synods or Ministeriums	Foreign Missions	English Home Missions	German Home Missions	Porto Rico Missions	Slav. Missions	Univer. Stud'nt Work
1. Pennsylvania	$ 22000	$32500	$ 6000	$ 4168	$ 4750	$ 750
2. New York	6300	1000	2700	1668	1000	300
3. Pittsburgh	6000	5600	800	2000	1500	400
4. Ohio	2000	7000	50	1334	450	300
5. Augustana	22000	.....	.....	4168	600	750
6. Canada	2500	.....	850	.....	150	.....
7. Chicago	1000	3500	50	1000	200	300
8. Northwest	1500	2500	50	834	200	300
9. Manitoba	200	.....	200	.....	25	.....
10. Pacific	1000	600	200	82	37	.....
11. New York and New Eng.	8000	7250	100	1168	1000	400
12. Nova Scotia	300	1250	.....	42	38	.....
13. Central Canada	200	800	.....	36	50	.....
Independent	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Per Annum	$ 75000	$ 62000	$ 11000	$ 16500	$ 10000	$ 3500
Biennium	$150000	$124000	$ 22000	$ 33000	$ 20000	$ 7000

N. B.—Several amounts have not been apportioned among the Synods.

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ST. MATTHEW'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

TOLEDO, OHIO

Congregation organized by the Rev. Hiram Peters, D.D., Sept. 9, 1894, in Memorial Hall. St. Matthew's Church, corner of Batavia and Putnam streets, was erected in 1908 during the Rev. Luther Hogshead's pastorate.

The Rev. Gustavus A. Bierdemann, D.D., is the present pastor.

On a plat, 98 feet frontage by 202 feet in depth, stands the combined Church and Chapel. The Church is 62 by 63 feet in dimensions; the Chapel, 53 by 53 feet. With its large semicircular gallery the Church seats 650. In the two-story Chapel are fourteen class rooms, and a center assembly space with a seating capacity of 200, connected with the Church auditorium by rolling partitions. There is a social assembly room under the entire building with a ceiling of fourteen feet in height. The Building is constructed of Sandusky blue limestone trimmed with Ohio sandstone. The Church with lot and two-manual pipe organ, recently installed, cost $53,000.

MARTIN LUTHER CHURCH

The Rev. Wm. Brenner, Pastor.

The Friday afternoon Session was held in this Church.

ST. LUCAS CHURCH

The Rev. Hugo Hamfeldt, Pastor.

The Monday afternoon Session was held in this Church.
All the General Council churches in Toledo cooperated in arranging for it.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

Thirty-Fourth Convention

OPENING SERVICE

The Thirty-fourth Convention of "The General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America" was held in St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Toledo, Ohio, the Rev. Gustavus A. Bierdemann, D.D., pastor, commencing on Thursday morning, September 11, 1913.

The Confessional Service was held at 9.15 A. M., in the Chapel, after which the delegates proceeded in due order to the Church, where the Order of Morning Service was used, beginning at the Introit. These services were conducted by the Officers of the General Council, including the various synodical Presidents as Vice-Presidents of the General Council. The President, the Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., of Lebanon, Pa., preached the sermon on John 14:6. His Theme was

"Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life"

The Lord's Supper was then administered to the Delegates and visiting brethren.

FIRST SESSION

St. Matthew's Church, Toledo, Ohio.

Thursday, September 11, 1913, 11 a. m.

The President of the General Council formally opened the Convention for the transaction of business, according to the "Order for the Opening of Synods."

The President announced the reception of the credentials of Delegates, and the Roll was called by Synods. As completed at

the close of the Convention, it was as follows, showing an attendance of 110 clerical and 65 lay Delegates, total 175:

ROLL OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

I. Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States.

Organized August 15 (26 new style), A. D. 1748.

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Prof. John A. W. Haas, D.D., *ex-officio.*	Frank D. Bittner.
" Prof. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D.	David D. Fritich, M.D.
" John E. Whitteker, D.D.	William H. Hager.
" Prof. Edward T. Horn, D.D., LL.D.	Hon. Frank M. Riter.
" John C. Seegers, D.D.	Hon. Cyrus R. Lantz.
" Joseph Stump, D.D.	George E. Schlegelmilch, Esq.
" Adam L. Ramer, Ph.D.	H. M. Muhlenberg Richards, Litt.D.
" Harvey A. Weller.	John M. Snyder.
" Charles J. Cooper, D.D.	Wm. P. W. Braun.
" William D. C. Keiter, D.D.	Reuben D. Wenrich, M.D.
" Jacob C. Kunzmann, D.D.	William S. Mohr.
" August Steimle.	Irwin G. Romich.
" Jeremiah F. Ohl, Mus.D.	George W. March.
" I. Chantry Hoffman.	James M. Snyder.
" Wilson M. Rehrig, Ph.D.	William M. Mearig.
" Chas. L. Fry, D.D.	F. O. Ritter, M.D.
" Solomon E. Ochsenford, D.D.	Charles A. Worsley.
" C. Armand Miller, D.D.	Matthias L. March.
" Ernst P. H. Pfatteicher, Ph.D.	Charles B. Opp.
" Louis Lindenstruth, D.D.	James G. Finley.
" Prof. Luther D. Reed, D.D.	Frank P. D. Miller.
" James L. Becker, D.D.	Allen G. Landis.
" Nathan R. Melhorn.	
" Ernst F. Bachmann.	
" George Drach.	
" John W. Horine.	
" James F. Lambert.	
" H. Douglas Spaeth.	
" John H. Waidelich	
" William L. Hunton, Ph.D.	
" Victor J. Bauer.	
" Ambrose Hering.	

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II. Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of the State of New York and Adjacent States and Countries

Organzed Oct. 23, A.D. 1786.

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Gottleib C. Berkemeier, D.D.	Friedrich Wendling.
" John A. W. Kirsch.	Gustav A. Kayser.
" Fritz O. Evers.	Ludolph Eppers.
" Emil C. J. Kraeling.	William Intemann.
" Frederick H. Bosch.	August. Grulich.
" Ernst A. Tappert.	John A. Karweich.
" J. C. Rudolph Luehrs.	William Buechi.
" John A. Weyl.	
" Theodore H. Becker.	
" Herman Brezing.	
" John A. Timm.	
" William C. Drach.	
" Franz Bambam.	
" Herman F. Miller.	—21

III. Pittsburgh Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church

Organized Jan. 15, A. D. 1845.

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. G. Franklin Gehr, *ex-officio.*	J. Louis Frederick.
" Hugo E. Erdmann.	Adam Leib.
" Robert D. Roeder.	Herman Hess.
" Edmund Belfour, D.D.	Henry Fox.
" Frank C. Oberly.	Daniel A. Mowry.
" Prof. Elmer F. Krauss, D.D.	Jacob Pfaff.
" William E. Frey.	John Martsolf.
" Henry W. Roth, D.D., LL.D.	Wilford C. Saeger.
" Frank P. Bossart.	
" Jesse L. Miller.	
" Prof. C. Theodore Benze, D.D.	
" Gustave A. Benze, D.D.	
" A. Miles Mehrkam. Ph.D.	—21

IV. Evangelical Lutheran District Synod of Ohio

Organized July 21, A. D. 1861.

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. W. George Dressler, D.D., *ex-officio.*	M. M. Bauer, M.D.
" Edward F. Ritter.	John H. Axline, M.D.
" George W. Mechling, D.D.	Otto C. Rohde.
" Hiram Peters, D.D.	
" William H. Shepfer.	—8

V. Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod

Organized June 5, A. D. 1860.

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Gustaf A. Brandelle, D.D., *ex-officio.*	Andrew G. Anderson, R.V.O.
" Gustaf A. Dorf, D.D.	Grant Hultberg.
" Laurentius G. Abrahamson, D.D., K.N.O.	Prof. Andrew Kempe.
" August Johnson.	Prof. Claude W. Foss, Ph.D.
" Prof. Carl A. Blomgren, Ph.D.	August Peterson.
" Alfred Appell.	Carl Will.
" August P. Saeter.	Prof. Carl F. Carlbert, Ph.D.
" Carl E. Elving.	P. G. Richard Hogner, M.D., K.V.O.
" Carl O. Morland.	
" Nels E. Kron.	
" John I. Bergstrand.	
" David A. Lofgren.	
" Alfred Ostrom.	
" Carl N. Clemens.	
" Gustaf A. Ekeberg.	
" Göran E. Forsberg.	
" Gustave P. Williams.	
" Emil Westlund.	
" Otto O. Oleen.	
" Emil F. Bergren.	
" Emil E. T. Anderson.	
" Gustaf K. Stark.	
" Peter E. Fredlund.	—31

VI. Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada

Organized July 21, A. D. 1861.

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Emil Hoffman, D.D., *ex-officio.*	L. Peine.
" Heinrich L. Henkel.	J. Wellein.
" C. Reinhold Tappert.	A. L. Bitzer, Esq.
" Hugo Hamfeldt.	—7

VII. Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church

Organized A. D. 1871; reorganized Sept. 24, A. D. 1896.

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Benj. F. Hoefer, *ex-officio.*	Martin L. Deck.
" Prof. Geo. H. Gerberding, D.D.	John B. Franke.
" Harry B. Reed.	Chas. T. A. Anderson.
" Luther J. Smith.	J. T. Frank Laughner.
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VIII. English Synod of the Northwest

Organized Sept. 23, A. D. 1891.

Clerical	*Lay*	
Rev. Anthony F. Elmquist, Ph.D., *ex-officio.*	George Hemsing.	
" William K. Frick, D.D.	Jacob K. Jensen.	
" James F. Beates.	Hon. Victor L. Johnson.	—6

IX. German Manitoba Synod

Organized Sept. 23, A. D. 1891.

Clerical	*Lay*	
Rev. Juergen Goos, *ex-officio.*		
" Emil Knappe.		—2

X. Pacific Synod

Organized Sept. 24, A. D. 1902.

Clerical	*Lay*	
Rev. Merrell E. Boulton, *ex-officio.*	W. S. T. Derr.	
" Prof. P. W. H. Frederick.		—3

XI. New York and New England Synod

Organized Sept. 24, A. D. 1902.

Clerical	*Lay*	
Rev. Edwin F. Keever, D.D., *ex-officio.*	Frederick J. Walter.	
	Robert E. Gaskell.	
" Franklin F. Fry, D.D.	James Gear.	
" Frederick A. Kaehler, D.D.	Frederick Henrich.	
" Charles J. Smith.	John W. Greene.	
" William M. Horn.		
" Samuel G. Weiskotten, D.D.		—11

XII. Nova Scotia Synod

Organized July 10, A. D. 1903.

Clerical	*Lay*	
Rev. Charles H. Little, *ex-officio.*		—1

XIII. Synod of Central Canada

Organized May 26, A. D. 1909.

Clerical	*Lay*	
Rev. Milton J. Bieber.	E. A. Bartram.	
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OFFICIAL VISITORS

From the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa and Other States

Rev. Prof. Max Fritschel, Dubuque, Ia.

From the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America

Rev. Prof. J. A. Singmaster, D.D., Gettysburg, Pa.

From the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South

Rev. William H. Greever, D.D., Columbia, S. C.

Names of Visiting Clergymen in the Unity of the Faith with the General Council

R. A. Albert.
Asbjorn C. Anda.
H. J. Behrens.
Frank S. Beistel.
Gustavus A. Bierdemann, D.D.
Sylvester L. Boger.
Homer L. Bosserman.
William Brenner.
L. G. Deily.
F. Dietz.
W. P. Dinke.
Geo. F. Dittmar.
C. L. V. Dozer.
William Eckert.
Prof. Henry W. Elson, Ph.D.
R. E. M. Engers.
Herman L. Fritschel.
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Chas. L. Warstler.
Herbert T. Weber.
J. M. Wenrich.
Herman D. Whitteker.
A. C. Wuchter.
H. L. Ziemer.

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Application for Admission of New Synods

The President appointed the following Committee to Examine Application of New Synods: The Revs. L. G. Abrahamson, D.D., H. W. Roth, D.D., G. C. Berkemeier, D.D., H. L. Henkel, J. Goos, and M. E. Boulton, Hon. F. M. Riter and Messrs. G. Hultberg and M. L. Deck.

In the Second Session, the Committee reported that there were no applications.

The President presented his official report, as follows:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

PART I

GENERAL RELATIONS, DOCTRINE, AND LIFE

We rejoice to meet in prosperous Toledo, with its great Lutheran population, its score and more of Lutheran churches, under the auspices of our active and loyal General Council pastors and congregations. Here, in the heart of our territory, with Canada to the north, Ohio to the South, Pittsburgh and Buffalo to the east, and Chicago to the west, we touch also the territory of the Iowa, Joint Ohio, and Missouri Synods, and of the General Synod.

Great problems and possibilities loom up before us at this Convention. Suitable action with reference to the invitation of *The Commission on Faith and Order* which looks to a reuniting of Christendom will be suggested by the proper committee. The *International* or *World Conference of Lutherans* now meeting at Nuremberg had the General Council as a member from the beginning. Two years ago we sent a delegate to the Conference with specific instructions, and referred his report to a special committee which will propose action. At our last meeting at Lancaster we rejoiced at the prospect of a cooperative relation with the General Synod as to non-interference in Home Mission fields. A great work has been attempted in this sphere, and the report of the General Council *Commission on Cooperation* should receive full time, attention, and thought.

Our relation with the Iowa Synod and the Joint Synod of Ohio, including certain questions to be asked, an effort by the Joint Synod and our German Home Mission Board to arbitrate differences, and a proposal on the part of the Joint Synod for the establishment of an arbitration tribunal between the various Lutheran bodies and Synods in America, which would be a great step in advance, will be presented in various order.

The duty and the possibility of closer Church unity is being widely discussed in the Christian world. The relationship of the Lutheran Church to the denominations around her was treated by Dr. Krauth in

1877 in the First Free Diet, and the question of fellowship by Dr. Jacobs in an early issue of "The Lutheran Church Review." Dr. F. Pieper of the Missouri Synod has recently published a book, "Zur Einigung der lutherischen Kirche Amerikas." The General Council long ago laid down its general position on the subject.

As early as 1893 it declared: "The General Council hails with the greatest satisfaction any movement, which will tend to bring together all who bear the Lutheran name in this country, in a closer bond of true unity. . . . We believe, however, that practical cooperation in Church work is founded upon and must spring out of unity in doctrine of faith and in the sacraments." In 1907, at Buffalo, the General Council further explicated its principle of cooperation with Christians not in its body. It said: "The General Council bears an open and loving and helpful attitude toward those without, i.e., toward those seeking the truth, or who uphold honest convictions in the fear of God. It is the nature of our body to be patient, bearing all things, having pleasure in approval rather than condemnation; in concord rather than in discord. We are willing and anxious to cooperate for the saving of souls and the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom with all of God's children wheresoever they be found. Yet we are prevented from cooperating if thereby an injury is done to our conscience; or if we thereby compromise our precious treasure, for which we have been called into existence; a treasure which is blood-bought, and for which thousands of confessors have laid down home, friends, worldly success and life. This treasure is the pure doctrine of salvation. With those to whom the purity of the faith means much, will we walk up to the point where both conclude we must part. But with those to whom the purity of the faith means little, less than friendship, blood, practical success, the spirit of the age, and similar considerations, we are in danger. Our chief treasure they do not so highly regard, and we cannot entrust it to them with the feeling that it is safe. . . .

"Since we exist for the sake of the pure Gospel and other things are subordinate, even our friends (and still less our enemies) cannot ask us to commit ourselves to association with any people, or teachings, which would derogate from our doctrine; or which would convey the impression to the wayfaring man that we have relaxed our standard of the truth. Wherever we can work with a common Christianity, or with a common Lutheranism, with the assurance that no harm will come to our one great purpose of testimony to the truth, or to our integrity of conscience, we are ready to do so with joy; but wherever we are in doubt as to such a happy issue,—and we must be our own judges,—it is right and reasonable for us to decline to run any risk of exposing our highest good to danger, for the sake of attaining a lower and less important good. The General Council can cooperate in all matters in which it can apply its Fundamental Principles. The temper of a sympathetic mind, true at once to faith and to charity, is the only one of service in dealing with the most difficult problem of modern Protestantism, and of a common Christianity—a problem, be it remembered, which we did not create and

which God Himself will have a hand in solving. Since we may not rush into either extreme, but are obliged to see good wherever it may be found, and to see evil wherever it may be found, and since we cannot join in free and easy laxity on the one hand, nor resort to wholesale condemnation on the other, we must expect dissatisfaction with us from both sides. Modern Christianity abuses the principle of fellowship; and, in so far destroys both its value and its sacredness. On the grounds of a broad humanity it would admit even those to the heart of the Church, who despise the precious merits of the Head of the Church."

The one effort, which, more than any other, will show the interest of the Lutheran Church in proposals of Church unity will be this, that its general and synodical bodies use every legitimate effort to ascertain what cooperation or fellowship, if any, they may be able to enter into with each other without violation of doctrine. In addition to seconding the proposal of the Joint Synod of Ohio made to us formally, if the said proposal can be carried out equitably and in good faith, as I believe it can; it will be a further useful step to suggest a meeting of the heads of all Lutheran bodies and independent synods to ascertain if there be any avenues which if patiently pursued might lead to some closer approach and understanding between these bodies; and whether, in such situations as concern the whole Lutheran Church in America, especially in its attitude toward the secular life of the people, and in problems in which the principles of a common Lutheranism are operative, it might not be possible to secure some action common in all the bodies, and thus the action of the whole Lutheran Church in this land. The first occasion toward which such action might be directed might be the proper recognition by the Lutheran Church in America as a whole, of the 400th anniversary of her birth in the celebration of 1917.

THE QUADRI-CENTENNIAL IN 1917

In consonance with the desire of the General Council, I requested the Official Visitors to the United Synod and the General Synod to propose to those bodies a proper general celebration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Reformation and invite them to work with the General Council, by appointing committees to cooperate with similar committees from the General Bodies and Independent Synods, the said Joint Committee to have power to determine the nature, the mode, and the place or places of the celebration, and to carry the same into effect. The celebration should be a worthy one and such as will do honor to the cause, and will focus the attention of the country upon *Lutheran* Protestantism and its heritage. The United Synod responded most favorably at its last Convention and appointed the Rev. Dr. J. A. Morehead, the President of the United Synod, the chairman of its Joint Committee on the common celebration. I have appointed the Rev. Dr. G. A. Andreen, President of Augustana College, the Rev. Dr. H. E. Jacobs, Dean of the Philadelphia Seminary, the Rev. Dr. G. C. Berkemeier of the German Home Mission Board, the Rev. Dr. J. E. Whitteker of the English Home

Mission Board, the Rev. Dr. E. Keever of the New York and New England Synod, the Rev. G. F. Gehr of the Pittsburgh Synod, and the new President of the General Council as our committee.

The General Synod appears not to have formally responded to our invitation, but has issued an invitation to other bodies to join with it, and has appointed a committee on the subject. As this is not a matter of credit of invitation but of proper realization, it can be taken for granted that the three and any other committees will work together and secure perfect harmonization at their first meeting.

PREPARATION FOR THE YEAR 1917

Among the great things towards which either the General Council, or the General Council and our larger Lutheran Church, in this country are working, that we may have a proper celebration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Evangelical Protestantism, are the following:

1. The completion and issue of a standard English Lutheran Church Book and Hymnal, approved and authorized by the General Bodies.
2. The publication of an English set of important parts of Luther's Works, for popular reading, which shall be a credit to American scholarship.
3. The raising of a large Jubilee Fund for the work of the Church, the sum total to be agreed on if possible by all Lutheran bodies, but the participating amounts to be raised by the separate general and independent bodies, and to be distributed by the bodies that raise the amounts.
4. A great Jubilee celebration by the Lutheran Church in America.
5. A special celebration at the Convention of the General Council in 1917.
6. The inauguration of some general cooperation on the part of divided Lutheran bodies in America.

THE JOINT SYNOD OF OHIO

Last Friday a week, August 29th, President Richter of the Iowa Synod officially submitted to me a document of date of July 16, 1912, sent him by the honorable authorities of the Joint Synod of Ohio, and requested in behalf of the Iowa and Joint Synods that I express myself in regard to its contents or cause the General Council to do so. President Richter states that the Joint Synod maintains that it cannot remain in fellowship with the Iowa Synod, if the latter continue in fellowship with the General Council, because "members of the General Council were guilty of offensive and un-Lutheran practices over against members of the Joint Synod of Ohio, and that the Joint Synod of Ohio had appealed in vain to the General Council." I replied to the President of the Synod of Iowa that we would look into the matter and take steps to a proper reply, that the General Council is deeply interested in the peace of the Lutheran Church in America, that as far as I can interpret its intention it will do its best in the maintenance of purity of doctrine and practice in our

Church in this country, that we have no prejudice against the Joint Synod, but desire love and justice to prevail in every part of the Church. After an examination of the document, I found it pertained to matters alleged to have occurred in the District Synod of Ohio, together with a statement said to have been made by myself which would, it was supposed, cut off the Joint Synod from obtaining discipline through the General Council. In a personal letter to President Richter I indicated my belief that the Joint Synod has never made an appeal to the General Council, and that it does not understand the constitutional procedure to be undertaken by it in a body organized (a federation of autonymous Synods) as we are. I suggest that the facts and the Joint Synod grievance be referred to our District Synod of Ohio; and that the partial quotation from my letter, and the whole correspondence, which involves the broad question of a general body not in fellowship desiring discipline, and of the proper constitutional procedure in such a case between two bodies differently organized be examined by the committee reporting on this report.

A JOINT LUTHERAN ARBITRATION BOARD

On the same day, August 29, 1913, on which there came to me the letter from President Richter presenting the Joint Synod grievance, I received an official letter from the Rev. A. Pflueger, English Secretary of the Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States, requesting that I refer to the General Council and its various Synods a resolution recommended by the Rev. Dr. C. H. L. Schuette, President of the Joint Synod, and passed by that body at its late Convention in Dayton, "requesting the various Lutheran Synods of our land to appoint, in the interest of the peace of the Church, intersynodical committees of arbitration to confer with reference to misunderstandings and occurrences and if possible to remove the cause of justifiable grievances. The parties concerned shall be at liberty to appeal from the decision of the Committee of Arbitration to their respective Synods."

Such committees properly constituted and conferring in a manner to secure the respect and obedience of all the parties concerned, will be a great blessing to the Church, and would, we hope, solve the difficulties of procedure in acute cases between bodies independent of or unwilling or unable to be in fellowship and discipline with each other. In the case of the difficulties in our German Home Mission Field, after lengthy and painstaking effort between our Board and that of the Joint Synod continuing for over a year, the preliminaries to such a joint arbitration of difficulties have been disposed of and the cases are ready to proceed. The resolution of the Joint Synod goes much further. It is the proposal of the application of the principle of arbitration (rather than war), now so greatly favored and frequently applied by the civilized nations of earth. This is a great step in advance for the Lutheran Church in America, and I rejoice that it has been taken by the Joint Synod. I recommend that every effort be made by us to meet this overture favorably, and in order that this may be done properly, and that the practical results intended to

flow from it may be secured, I would ask that a special committee be appointed by the General Council to bring in suitable action on the subject after they have consulted with our present Arbitration Commission, and any committee that might be appointed on the results of the attempt at arbitration with the General Synod, with the committee considering grievances of the Joint Synod, with the officials of the District Synod of Ohio, and inquiring into our ability to reach a method which will render this cooperation with the Joint Synod and other bodies possible and properly effective among the Synods. The letter of the Secretary of the Joint Synod, and the Resolution on the Minutes of that Synod are submitted herewith.

For letter see Action on President's Report.

The following is the action of the Joint Synod, taken from the Minutes of the Joint Synod forwarded by its Secretary:

"Dass sämtliche Distrikte unserer Synode angehalten werden, schiedsrichterliche Komiteen einzusetzen, deren Aufgabe es sein soll, mit Komiteen gleicher Instanz aus anderen Synoden über etwaige Missstände und Vorkommnisse, wodurch ein gutes Einvernehmen zwischen den betreffenden Körperschaften verhindert, gefährdet oder verletzt wird, kirchenrechtlich zu verhandeln und die Ursache berechtigter Beschwerde, wo möglich, aus dem Wege zu räumen. Dabei soll es den Beteiligten frei stehen, von dem Entscheid der Kommission bei den zuständigen Synoden Berufung einzulegen." (p. 4.)

"a. Den Vorschlag der Synode bezüglich der Einsetzung von intersynodalen Schiedsgerichtskomiteen den zuständigen Beamten folgender Körper zu unterbreiten:

"der Iowa Synode;

"dem General Konzil und seinen Synoden;

"der General Synode und ihren Synoden;

"der Vereinigten Synode des Südens;

"den Synoden der Synodalkonferenz und ihren Distrikten;

"den Norwegischen Synoden;

"der Dänischen Synode u. s. w.

"b. Diese Synoden zu ersuchen, dahin lautende Beschlüsse zu fassen." (p. 124.)

ENGLISH CONFERENCE

Having observed that much of the valuable time of the Council was consumed on the floor by explanations and interrogatives, and by the setting forth of numerous minute details, not always of greatest interest to the body as a whole, especially in connection with the discussion of such reports as the recommended variations in the English Common Service and Hymnal, and various arrangements in Church Extension and Mission work; and having observed how satisfactory, and how conducive to harmony and progress the establishment of the German Conference and the Laymen's Conference have been, preventing the development of fric-

tion on minor points between brethren who did not understand each other, and preparing the Council for a discussion of the broader issues of any subject, I have, under the authority conferred on me by one of our standing resolutions authorizing the holding of conferences of any interests of the Council for the discussion and mutual understanding of complicated details and the putting of the same in simple shape in a clearly understood form, appointed a Committee on English Conference, which called and held such a Conference yesterday, and will report, in regular order, at this session.

PART II

ENGLISH AND GERMAN RECORDING SECRETARIES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

Permit me to draw the attention of the General Council to its venerable secretarial roll. The Rev. Dr. H. W. Roth, the first English Secretary of our body, continuing in office for three terms, was born on April 5, 1858, at Prospect, Butler county, Pennsylvania, and last spring spent an honored seventy-fifth birthday. He has always been intensely interested in the General Council, and is a delegate in our midst today.

The Rev. Dr. S. Laird, our second Secretary, was born February 7, 1835, continued in office for eight successive terms, and is still the pastor emeritus in St. Mark's, Philadelphia, but unable to be with us today.

The Rev. Dr. H. E. Jacobs, our third Secretary, serving for two terms, was born November 10, 1844, and will celebrate his seventieth birthday on the next birthday of Martin Luther.

The Rev. Dr. E. Belfour, the oldest of all the secretaries, was born near Copenhagen, August 9, 1833, is still active at eighty, the President of our Porto Rico Mission Board, and will participate in our deliberations today. Dr. Belfour served three successive terms.

The Rev. Dr. S. L. Harkey, serving the two following terms, and the Rev. Dr. C. A. Swensson, serving the next following term, are both deceased.

The Rev. Dr. G. W. Mechling, serving for the following five terms, was born July 16, 1836, has been one of the most ardent, able and devoted defenders of our fundamental faith, and is present with us here in Toledo. We rejoice that he is in our midst.

The Rev. Dr. W. K. Frick, our active and indefatigable Secretary ever since 1895, except two terms, and the Rev. Dr. S. E. Ochsenford, Secretary for those two terms and author of the "Documentary History of the General Council," are the most youthful of our secretaries, and are with us today.

Of our German Secretaries, the first one was the Rev. Dr. G. Fritschel, President of the Iowa Synod, a predecessor of Prof. M. Reu and Director W. Proehl. Prof. Fritschel's son, the honored Professor of Dogmatic Theology in Dubuque, is the delegate of the Iowa Synod to our body today.*

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*It may be of interest to know that it was at the meeting of the Iowa Synod in Toledo in 1885, twenty-eight years ago, that the following resolutions respecting the General Council were passed:

"1. Wir erkennen mit Dank gegen Gott den Herrn, dass in dem General-Konzil

The second German Secretary of the General Council was the Rev. Dr. A. Spaeth for five succeeding terms, whose permanent and indispensable services to the General Council have been described in former years.

Then followed the Rev. G. W. Drees, the Rev. C. H. Thomsen, and the Rev. Dr. H. Grahn. Dr. Grahn died since our last Convention, on April 17, 1912. He was a delegate to the General Council for many years and its German Secretary in 1876. He was President of the old "First Conference" of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania during its most serious internal struggles. He was for many years a Director and Vice-President of the Philadelphia Seminary Board, and is believed to have first pointed out its present site on Germantown avenue. He was a member of the General Council Foreign Mission Committee for over thirty years, and was its German Secretary, and after the death of Dr. B. M. Schmucker, its English Secretary. He succeeded Dr. C. W. Schaeffer as President of the Foreign Board. He was Secretary of the Mary J. Drexel Deaconess Home for a quarter of a century, and there was no more tireless worker than he for the interests and the institutions of our Church.

Following Dr. Grahn came the Rev. Dr. E. F. Moldehnke for three terms, with the Rev. J. C. Peterson serving between one of them. Both these venerable brethren were men of prominence and distinction in the New York Ministerium, and Dr. Moldehnke later became President of the General Council.

He was followed as Secretary by the Rev. F. W. Weiskotten, for many years the untiring Secretary of our Publication Board and a prominent

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nicht nur das lutherische Bekenntnis in seiner ganzen Reinheit und Entschiedenheit als Bekenntnisgrundlage angenommen worden ist, dass die lutherischen Unterscheidungslehren im Gegensatz zu den unlutherischen, unionistischen Tendenzen der lutherischen General-Synode mit aller Entschiedenheit verteidigt worden sind und fort und fort verteidigt werden, dass auch die für die Kirche fundamentale Bedeutung der lutherischen Unterscheidungslehren in dem kirchlichen Kampfe des General-Konzils gegen die General-Synode energisch und rückhaltslos anerkannt worden ist, sondern dass auch in den grossen und wichtigen Fragen einer bekenntnisgemässen kirchlichen Praxis, um deren willen wir uns zur Zeit der Gründung des General-Konzils demselben noch nicht gliedlich anschliessen konnten, ein hocherfreulicher gesegneter Fortschritt stattgefunden hat, dass in der Galesburger Regel die richtigen bekenntnismässigen Grundsätze, welche die notwendige Vorbedingung einer gesunden Vereinigung lutherischer Synoden sein müssen, von dem General-Konzil als solchem voll und rückhaltslos anerkannt wurden, so dass mithin keine konfessionellen Gründe uns abhalten würden, demselben gliedlich uns anzuschliessen, sondern die Frage in betreff des Anschlusses lediglich eine Frage kirchlicher Konvenienz und Zweckmässigkeit geworden ist.

"2. Wir freuen uns, dass wir, während wir freilich gegen alle an verschiedenen Orten innerhalb des General-Konzils vorkommenden, mit dem offiziellen Bekenntnis des General-Konzils im Widerspruch stehenden Fälle unkirchlicher Praxis im schärfsten Gegensatz stehen und dagegen zusammen mit dem General-Konzil Zeugnis ablegen, auf Grund der vom General-Konzil abgegebenen offiziellen Erklärungen mit demselben in der Gemeinschaft des Glaubens und des Bekenntnisses, und in der gemeinsamen Arbeit für unsere liebe lutherische Kirche uns innig verbunden wissen.

"3. Da über die Frage der Zweckmässigkeit des Anschlusses unserer Synode an das General-Konzil die Glieder unserer Synode noch geteilter Meinung sind, und wir in einer so ernsten und wichtigen Angelegenheit nicht durch blosse Majorität eine Entscheidung treffen, sondern wo möglich in brüderlicher Einigkeit handeln wollen, so beantragen wir, dass die Synode von Iowa vorläufig noch in derjenigen Verbindung verbleibe, welche bis jetzt swischen ihr und dem General-Konzil besteht, bis wir in unserer eignen Mitte zu grösserer, Einmütigkeit über die Frage gekommen sind."

member of our Foreign Mission Board, and by the Rev. Dr. J. Nicum for seven terms. Dr. Nicum, like Dr. Mechling was one of the most indefatigable and able defenders of our faith, and championed the cause of the General Council before the German bodies in Europe and America.

Since 1897, and for as long a period as our present English Secretary, the Rev. Dr. G. C. Berkemeier, one of the most loyal and devoted friends and leaders that the General Council has ever had, has been its German Secretary.

In all the annals of our Church, it would be difficult to find a more superior band of men rendering service, in this important office, to a large general body of the Church. It is worthy of note also that the great majority of our English Secretaries have had connection, more or less well-defined, with the Pittsburgh Synod, while the majority of our German Secretaries, as is natural, have come from the New York Ministerium.

THE HAND OF DEATH

Your President, to his regret, unable to prepare a report on this subject, suggests that it might be well to appoint a Committee on Necrology who shall have the matter in charge. We cannot however fail to mention the unexpected death of the Rev. G. F. Spieker, D.D., ex-President of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, and Burkhalter Professor of Church History in the Philadelphia Seminary, which occurred last Sunday night. On this day on which we are gathering about the Table of our Lord on earth, in commemoration of His death and Resurrection, the body of Dr. Spieker is being laid away in the hope of the resurrection unto everlasting life.

HOW SHOULD BOARDS BE INCORPORATED?

In view of the numerous incorporations by the General Council, in which the Council gives away all its privileges, power, and property, for certain purposes and in certain lines, it becomes a question whether there ought not be a Standing Committee in the Council on the incorporation of special interests, that, when requested by the Council, shall draw up the articles of incorporation of a Board, and, if possible, have the incorporation proceed from the General Council itself, rather than from individual members who have been elected temporarily as members of the Committee or Board seeking incorporation.

REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOL SERVICE BOOK AND HYMNAL

Under date of August 31, 1913, I received an official letter from Mr. E. Clarence Miller of Philadelphia, asking if I "will not have presented a motion authorizing the appointment of a committee which shall be instructed to prepare and have published a new and revised 'Service Book and Hymnal' for use in our Sunday-schools." Mr. Miller also desires a revision of the service and the addition of suitable collects, and believes that such revision "would do much to bring the book more in harmony with the advance methods followed by our Graded System." He hopes that the delegates to the General Council will regard this revision as a

very important matter. Mr. Miller is one of the most active, intelligent, and influential of the laymen in the General Council, and his request should receive proper attention. The letter is submitted.

EMIGRANT HOUSE CHANGES

On July 12, 1912, I received a letter from the Secretary of Board of Trustees of the German Emigrant House stating that the Rev. Fritz O. Evers, of Englewood, New Jersey, had been elected missionary of the institution, and asking permission for his installation, and the recommendation of the President of the General Council as to the needs of the enterprise. I gave the necessary permission and sent on recommendation.

On January 24th, and on February 7, 1913, I received communications from the Rev. F. O. Evers, the new missionary of the German Emigrant House, drawing attention to the entry of immigrants into the port of Boston, and asking for a closer cooperation with all the emigrant missions in the General Council, and inquiring whether the activity of the Emigrant House Board is confined to the one mission under General Council supervision at New York City.

On February 11, 1913, I advised the Emigrant Board to formulate its views and present them to the German Conference, which has been done, and action will doubtless be proposed by that body. My correspondence is submitted herewith.

INNER MISSION COMMITTEE CHANGES

On October 15, 1912, at his request, I released the Rev. Wm. M. Horn from serving on the Inner Mission Committee of the General Council.

On December 31, 1912, the Rev. F. B. Clausen tendered his resignation as a member of the Inner Mission Committee.

On December 27, 1912, the New York and New England branch of the General Council Inner Mission Committee recommended that Dr. F. F. Buermeyer be appointed a member of the committee in place of the Rev. F. B. Clausen, and that Pastor Evers be appointed in the place of Pastor Doering, and stating that it had requested Rev Wm. Horn to withdraw his resignation, which he consented to do.

ARBITRATION COMMISSION CHANGE

On October 23, 1912, I appointed the Rev. A. J. Reichert, of Lancaster, as a member of the Arbitration Commission of the General Council in place of Prof. Bert, who resigned.

"DER LUTHERANER"

On November 4, 1911, I appointed Rev. O. Lincke, of Waterloo, Ont., as a member of the Editorial Committee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Rev. H. Rembe; and also the Rev. G. Hoeppner, of Norristown, Pa., as an additional member of the Editorial Committee.

SLAV BOARD INCORPORATION

On November 22, 1912, Dr. W. M. Rehrig wrote inquiring whether the Slav Board could become incorporated without action on the part of the General Council. I advised that articles of incorporation be prepared and be submitted to this meeting of the Council.

CHURCH BOOK COMMITTEE ADDITIONS

On November 22, 1912, I appointed Rev. J. C. Mattes and Rev. C. M. Jacobs, additional members of the Church Book Committee.

SLAV BOARD CHANGE

On April 10, 1913, at the request of the Slav Mission Board I appointed the Rev. A. D. Dianiska, to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. C. Salva, now deceased.

APPEAL OF REV. NIEMANN

The Rev. J. Niemann, under date of April 4, 1913, appeals from a decision of the Pittsburgh Synod found on pp. 42 and 43 of the English Minutes of the Pittsburgh Synod of 1912. The correspondence is submitted.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CHANGE AND INQUIRY

On May 5, 1913, I received word from the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education respecting three vacancies on the Board and stating that the Rev. E. P. H. Pfatteicher had been elected to fill one of them, and inquiring whether the Board had the right to make nominations. I replied that "Boards do not make their own nominations, but if they have any particular desires in this respect, it is customary after the announcement of the Nominating Committee for Boards to bring their views to the attention of the committee."

DR. GONGAWARE'S RESIGNATIONS

In a communication of July 1, 1913, the Rev. Dr. G. J. Gongaware presented to me as President of the General Council his resignation as President of the Council's Board of Education and as a member of the Arbitration Commission, and of the Jewish Mission Committee. He regrets his inability to continue in official association with the Council, and we are sorry to lose him from our midst.

ITALIAN MISSION WORK

On July 16, 1913, I received a communication from the Rev. J. C. Mattes, Secretary of the Conference Mission Committee of the Philadelphia English Conference of the Ministerium, respecting the need of some Mission Board to undertake Lutheran work among the increasing Italian immigration to this country. The letter is submitted.

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR 1913 CONVENTION

In accordance with a resolution of the General Council at Buffalo, I appointed Rev. W. Brenner, and Rev. H. Hamfeldt, of Toledo, and Mr. Wm. H. Hager, of Lancaster, a committee to cooperate with the pastor loci and myself to arrange for the meeting of the General Council at Toledo.

THEODORE E. SCHMAUK, *President.*

The Report was received, and referred to the following Committees on the President's Report:

1. *On General Relations, Doctrine and Life*—The Revs. W. D. C. Keiter, D.D., J. Stump, D.D., G. W. Mechling, D.D., J. A. W. Kirsch, E. F. Bachmann, J. H. Waidelich, A. Steimle, E. Hoffmann, D.D., Prof. C. W. Foss, Ph.D., and A. L. Bitzer, Esq.

2. *On General Council Work and Administration*—The Revs. J. C. Seegers, D.D., E. F. Ritter, H. A. Weller, E. A. Tappert, H. R. Erdmann, H. Hamfeldt, F. H. Bosch, and Messrs Adam Leib, M. M. Bauer, M. L. Deck, Fr. Henrich, and F. J. Walter.

ACTION ON THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In the Seventh Session, the Rev. Dr. Keiter presented the

REPORT ON PART I. ON GENERAL RELATIONS, DOCTRINE AND LIFE

The General Council, in consonance with the sentiments expressed by the President, records its great pleasure at the privilege of holding this Convention in this beautiful and thriving city of Toledo, with its large Lutheran population and twenty-two Lutheran churches, seven of them served by pastors who are members of this body; and it expresses the hope that the holding of this Convention here may result in a better understanding of its churchly position and conservative spirit, and may add a new impetus to the work of building up our Lutheran Zion in the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God.

1. We agree with the President regarding the great importance and vast possibilities in the problems of unification and co-operation in the Christian world, and, therefore, recommend that a Special Committee be appointed to draft suitable action and report to this body at this Convention.

2. We approve the action of the President in calling a Conference of the English interests of the General Council, believing that such conferences tend to save the time of the General Body.

3. Replying to the communication received from the President of the Iowa Synod:

From correspondence laid before your committee by the President of this Council, it appears that the Joint Synod of Ohio, a body which sustains no relations with the General Council, holds and has held certain grievances against several Synods in connection with the General Council. During the last year, it further appears, that presentations concerning these grievances were made by the Joint Synod of Ohio to the Iowa Synod, in consequence of which the latter, through its President, has recently by letter to our President under date of August 29th, formally called the attention of the General Council to these alleged un-Lutheran practices complained of by the Joint Synod, closing his letter in these words: "We are deeply interested to aid in the maintenance of peace within the Luth-

eran Church of America, and are anxious to see all disturbing elements removed. It is in the spirit of brotherly love and with an earnest desire to upbuild the Lutheran Zion that we present this matter to you."

In answer to this communication of the President of the Iowa Synod, your committee would recommend the following:

The General Council does, hereby, respectfully acknowledge the communication of the President of the Iowa Synod, and assures that body that it, too, is deeply interested in all that may promote peace within the Lutheran Church of this country, and maintain purity of doctrine and practice, and that its history has justified this assertion.

We assure President Richter and the Iowa Synod, that the alleged irregularities enumerated in the papers of the Joint Synod of Ohio, sent to us by President Richter, which extend over a period of about forty years, have never been submitted to the processes of orderly procedure provided in the Constitutions of the Synods of the General Council and of that of the Council itself, and that, therefore, this body cannot take cognizance of this matter.

4. The following official letter, submitted by the President in his report to this body, is a communication from the Secretary of the Joint Synod of Ohio, written under date of August 27, 1913.

BOTKINS, OHIO, August 27, 1913.

To the Rev. T. E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., Lebanon, Pa.

REVEREND AND HONORED PRESIDENT:—At the recommendation of our Honored President, the Rev. C. H. L. Schuette, D.D., our Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio, at its late Convention in Dayton, Ohio, passed a resolution requesting the various Lutheran Synods of our land to appoint, in the interest of the peace of the Church, intersynodical committees of arbitration to confer with reference to misunderstandings and occurrences by which a peaceable relation among the respective Synods might be prevented, endangered, or injured, and, if possible, to remove the causes of justifiable grievances. The parties concerned shall be at liberty to appeal from the decision of the Committee of Arbitration to their respective Synods.

Permit me, therefore, Mr. President, to call your attention to our resolution, with the request that you refer it to the General Council and its various Synods for favorable consideration. At the same time I entertain the hope that this request, made in the interest of peace, will find a cordial reception.

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) A. P. PFLUEGER,
Eng. Sec., Joint Synod of Ohio, and Other States.

With the President of the General Council, this body hails with pleasure, the proposal of the Joint Synod of Ohio, which aims to promote peace within our Lutheran Church by the appointment of Intersynodical Committees of Arbitration.

We are pleased to inform the Joint Synod of our willingness to co-operate, and that the General Council has already created such a committee, empowered to arbitrate with similar committees from other general bodies —among which the Joint Synod is included (see Minutes of the General Council of 1911, page 188)—in all matters subject to arbitration.

We would respectfully submit, that, as arbitration, in order to be effective, must be final, the Joint Synod of Ohio, and all other bodies consenting to such plan of arbitration, grant the same plenary powers to their committees with which the General Council has invested its own Committee of Arbitration.

5. In addition we recommend that it would be a further useful step, if the heads of all Lutheran bodies and independent Synods could confer once a year to ascertain what co-operation and fellowship might be possible without violation of doctrine, and therefore we recommend that our President be hereby authorized to take such steps as may be necessary to bring about this result.

THE QUADRI-CENTENNIAL

6. *Resolved*: (a) That we commend the appointment of a representative Committee to co-operate with committees from other bodies in the arrangements for a proper celebration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Reformation, and we urge an early meeting of the committees so appointed in order that full and adequate preparation be made for a nation-wide celebration.

(b) That we express our appreciation of the efforts of our Jubilee Fund Committee and that we refer to the Joint General Committee on the Quadri-Centennial with our approval, the expansion of the jubilee fund suggested by the President, namely, that a large jubilee fund be raised for the work of the Church, the sum total to be agreed on, if possible, by all Lutheran bodies, but the participating amounts to be raised by the separate general and independent bodies, and to be distributed by the bodies that raised the amount.

(c) That we rejoice in the announcement of the Publication Board that the publication of an English set of Standard Works of Luther, urged by the President as one of the objects of a proper celebration is under way, and that a true and accurate knowledge of the Great Reformer is to be made possible in English dress, which can be obtained only by a perusal of the writings with which he unlocked Scripture, combatted error, comforted the weak, taught the young, and reestablished Evangelical Christendom.

(d) That we rejoice in the progress reported toward the Standard English Lutheran Church Book and Hymnal, and we join the President in setting before us the hope that the year of jubilee shall see its completion and issue approved and authorized by the General Bodies.

(e) That we refer to the Joint General Committee on celebration, the suggestion of the President to arrange a great celebration by the Church in America.

(f) That our Committee on celebration be charged with the preparations for a special celebration at the Convention of the General Council in 1917.

(g) That we likewise refer to the General Council Committee on celebration, with the approval of this body, the suggestion of the President, that the jubilee be made the occasion of the inauguration of some general co-operation on the part of the divided Lutheran bodies in America.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was unanimously adopted, both by items and as a whole, including references of various items to the Jubilee Fund Committee.

The President appointed the following enlarged

Committee on Quadri-Centennial of the Lutheran Church, Rev. Dr. G. A. Andreen, President of Augustana College; Rev. Dr. T. E. Schmauk, President of General Council; Rev. Dr. H. E. Jacobs, Dean of the Philadelphia Seminary; Rev. Dr. G. C. Berkemeier, of the German Home Mission Board; Rev. Dr. J. E. Whitteker, Rev. Dr. J. C. Kunzmann, of the English Home Mission Board; Rev. W. M. Horn, of the New York and New England Synod; Rev. G. F. Gehr, of the Pittsburgh Synod; Rev. N. R. Melhorn, of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania; Mr. E. Clarence Miller, Mr. Wm. H. Hager, Mr. W. S. Mohr, Mr. George W. March, of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania; Mr. A. G. Anderson, of the Augustana Synod; Mr. Gravenhorst, of the Ministerium of New York; Hon. Chas. A. Schieren, Mr. James Gear, Mr. F. J. Walter, of the New York and New England Synod; Hon. C. A. Smith, of the Synod of the Northwest and Pacific Synod; Mr. J. Louis Frederick, of the Pittsburgh Synod.

In the Eighth Session, the Rev. Mr. Ritter presented the

REPORT ON PART II. ON GENERAL COUNCIL WORK AND ADMINISTRATION

Your committee appointed to consider the Second Part of the President's Report, would respectfully present the following recommendations to the General Council:

1. That the General Council herewith records its grateful appreciation of the painstaking and faithful labors of the Recording and Corresponding Secretaries who have served it since its organization.

2. That a Standing Committee on Necrology, to consist of three members, be appointed by the President, to prepare brief memorials of our deceased members for presentation to the Council and entry upon its records, and that we ask the officers of the various Synods to report all cases which would properly come under such heading to this committee.

On the 7th day of September, 1913, through the hand of death the Rev. Prof. G. F. Spieker, D.D., LL.D., entered into the enjoyment of the service of the Church above. He is forever with his Lord. In the removal of Dr. Spieker, the Church on earth has lost a scholar of recognized ability, a workman of devotion and consecration, a counsellor safe and conservative. We thank God for the service He permitted Dr. Spieker to render the Church, and pray our Blessed Lord and Saviour, that He will raise up faithful, efficient, and earnest men to take the place of those who are called into the Church triumphant.

3. With reference to the Incorporation of Boards, that a committee of five be appointed, who shall prepare a statement of the rules according to which future Incorporations of Boards shall be made, safeguarding therein the interest of the General Council itself, and embodying the suggestion of the President that there shall be a Standing Committee, which shall have charge of such incorporations, as suggested in the President's Report.

4. That the request of a prominent lay-member of the Council for a Revised Sunday School Service Book be referred to a Special Committee composed of the Sunday-school Work Committee and the Church Book Committee.

(Inasmuch as the Emigrant House interests have come before the Council in other connections, the committee omits recommendation on this subject.)

5. That the General Council endorse the explanation of its President in reply to the communication of the Board of Education concerning nominations.

6. That the matter of Italian Mission Work be referred to the Slav Mission Board as per former action of the Council concerning Mission Work among foreign-speaking peoples.

7. That the ad-interim appointments made by our President to various Boards and committees, as mentioned in his report, be ratified.

8. In case of the appeal of the Rev. J. Niemann from the decision of the Pittsburgh Synod, brought before the Council in the President's Report, no papers or evidences were submitted to this committee; therefore no recommendation is offered.

9. That the visiting Clerical and Lay Delegates of the General Council hereby express their heartfelt appreciation of the hospitable entertainment accorded them in the homes of our people in Toledo. That the thanks of the Convention are due to our General Council congregations, and especially their women for their thoughtfulness in furnishing a common noon-meal, and thus promoting social fellowship among us and saving the time of the Convention. And furthermore, that the thanks of the Convention are due the local pastors, and especially the members of the Co-operating Committee for their thoughtful and indefatigable efforts to minister to the comfort and convenience of the Convention.

E. F. Ritter, *Secretary.*

The report was adopted by items (that referring to Dr. Spieker by a rising vote), and as a whole.

The Recording Secretaries presented to the Council a pamphlet of 232 pages, comprising "Documents for the Thirty-fourth Convention of the General Council," being a nearly complete collection of the Reports of Boards and Standing Committees.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

I. Hours of Meeting

9:00 to 12:00 a. m.
2:00 to 5:00 p. m.
8:00 p. m.

II. Order of Business

Thursday Morning, September 11th.

St. Matthew's Church

9.15 o'clock. Confessional Service.

9.30 o'clock. The communion with opening sermon by the President.

11.00 o'clock. Opening of the General Council with the Order in the Church Book, p. 439, without hymn.

Presentation of credentials (To the President).

(N. B.—The majority of these credentials were forwarded to the President and Secretary of the General Council two weeks before the opening of the General Council.)

Organization of general council by the approval and transmissal of credentials to the Secretary.

Application for admission of new synods.

Committee to Examine Application of New Synods.

Roll call of synods.

(The Secretary will not call names of delegates till Friday morning when the roll will be completed, but will mention the number of delegates in each Synod whose credentials have thus far been accepted.)

President's report.

Appointment of Committees on President's Report.

Report of executive committee.

Thursday Afternoon, September 11th.

2.00 o'clock. Hymn 247; Prayer.

Reception of new synods.

Report of Committee on Slovak Synod Organization.

Election of officers.

Reception of resolutions from synods, or any other Documents intended for the General Council.

Reception of abstracts of minutes.

Giving notice of Important Business to be brought before the General Council for its action.

Appointment of Committee on Documents and Papers presented, Committee to Examine Matters in Abstracts of Synodical Minutes referred to General Council, and present them with suitable recommendations, and Committee on Unfinished Business of 1911.

Giving Official Visitors or Representatives from Synods the Privilege of Debate.

Report of the treasurer of the General Council.

Appointment of Auditing Committee for Treasurer's Account.

Report of finance committee.

Appointment of Finance Committee.

Report of the trustees of the General Council and their Treasurer.

Appointment of Committee to Nominate Trustees.

Report of porto rico mission board.

Appointment of Committee to Nominate Members of Porto Rico Board.

report of foreign mission board.

Appointment of Committee to Nominate Members of the Foreign Board.

Report of Committee on Foreign Mission Rules.

4.40 o'clock. Election of Members of Porto Rico and Foreign Mission Boards.

Report of Auditing Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

Appointment of Various Committees.

Prayer.

Thursday Evening, September 11th.

Mission Service, 8.00 o'clock.

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Friday Morning, September 12th.

9.00 o'clock. Matins: The Versicle; The Invitatory; Hymn 269; Psalm 48, p. 189; Scripture—Matt. 13:1-9; The Canticle; The Prayers.

9.15 o'clock. Roll call of delegates to the general council.

9.30 o'clock. Report of english home mission board.

Report of The Lutheran Church Extension Society.

Appointment of Committee to Nominate Members of English Home Mission Board.

11.15 o'clock. Report of board of publication.
Appointment of Committee to Nominate Members of the Board of Publication.
Report of editor of the lutheran.
Report of editor of der deutsche lutheraner.
Election of Members of English Home Mission and Publication Boards.
Appointment of Committees.
Prayer.

Friday Afternoon, September 12th.

Martin Luther Church, Sixth and Nevada Streets

2.00 o'clock. Hymn 7; Prayer.
Report of committees on president's report.

2.30 o'clock. Report of board of german home missions.

3.00 o'clock. Report of committee on german conference.

3.15 o'clock. Report of immigrant mission board.
Report of Committee to Investigate Emigrant House.
Appointment of Committee to Nominate Members for German Home Mission and Immigrant Mission Boards.
Appointment of Committee on German Conference.

3.45 o'clock. Election of Members of German Home Mission and Immigrant Mission Boards.

4.00 o'clock. Report of kropp commission.

4.15 o'clock. Adjourn to attend Laymen's Conference.

4.00 o'clock. The laymen's conference.

6.00 o'clock. Laymen's banquet in the Toledo Commerce Club Rooms.

Friday Evening, September 12th.

St. Matthew's Church

8.00 o'clock. Laymen's mass meeting.

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Saturday Morning, September 13th.

9.00 o'clock. Hymn 11; Psalm 97, p. 218; The Prayers.

9.10 o'clock. Report of board of swedish missions.

Report of board of slav missions.
Appointment of Committee to Nominate Members of Boards of Swedish and Slav Missions.
Appointment of Committee to Nominate Official Visitors to General Bodies.

9.30 o'clock. REPORT OF GENERAL COUNCIL COMMISSION ON ARBITRATION.

Appointment of Commission on Arbitration.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BUDGET.
Appointment of Committee on Finance and Budget.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE.
Appointment of Committee on Laymen's Conference.
REPORT OF JUBILEE FUND COMMITTEE.
REPORT OF PENSION FUND COMMITTEE.
Appointment of Jubilee and Pension Fund Committees.
Election of Members of Swedish and Slav Mission Boards.

Saturday Afternoon, September 13th.

2.00 o'clock. Hymn; Prayer.

REPORT OF CHURCH BOOK COMMITTEE.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LUTHERAN CHURCH MUSIC.
REPORT OF GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICIAL VISITORS to other General Bodies.
Visitor to United Synod, John C. Seegers, D.D.
Visitor to General Synod, Geo. W. Sandt, D.D.
Visitor to Iowa Synod, Edward T. Horn, D.D., LL.D.
Visitor to Icelandic Synod, G. H. Gerberding, D.D.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GENERAL LUTHERAN CONFERENCE.
Report of Delegate to the General Lutheran Conference.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORLD'S CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

Monday Morning, September 15th.

9.00 o'clock. Hymn 625; Psalm 100, p. 219; The Prayers.

9.10 o'clock. Appointment of Committee on International Conference, and Committee on Sunday-school Work.

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.
Appointment of Committee to Nominate Members of Board of Education.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS WORK IN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF 1911.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE MATTERS IN MINUTES OF SYNODS REFERRING TO GENERAL COUNCIL.
RECEPTION OF OFFICIAL VISITORS FROM OTHER BODIES.
Unfinished Reports of General Council Boards.
Other Unfinished Business.
Appointment of Committees Reporting Monday morning.

Monday Afternoon, September 15th.

ST. LUCAS CHURCH, BUSH AND ONTARIO STREETS

2.00 o'clock. Hymn 301; Prayer.

REPORT OF INNER MISSION COMMITTEE.

(The Rules require that all institutions reporting to the General Council send their Reports to this Committee, which shall present a survey of the whole work.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JEWISH MISSIONS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEACONESS WORK.

Appointment of Committees Reporting Monday afternoon.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

Other Unfinished Business.

Monday Evening, September 15th.

Mission Service, 8.00 o'clock.

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Tuesday Morning, September 16th.

9.00 o'clock. Hymn 304; Prayer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIGEST.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PACIFIC SEMINARY.

REPORT OF LUTHERAN CHURCH BOOK AND LITERATURE SOCIETY.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES appointed at this meeting.

REPORT OF ARCHIVIST.

Unfinished Business.

Discussion of Theses.

Further Appointment of Standing Committees.

Closing Service, p. 441; Hymn 274.

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III. Order of Services

Thursday Morning, September 11, 1913.

9.15 o'clock. THE CONFESSIONAL SERVICE.

Sunday-school Room of St. Matthew's Church.

9.30 o'clock. THE CHIEF SERVICE.

The Sermon and Administration of the Holy Communion.

Thursday Evening, September 11, 1913.

8.00 o'clock. GENERAL COUNCIL MISSION SERVICE.

1. English Home Missions. Rev. J. E. Whitteker, D.D.
2. Mission in India. Rev. C. F. Kuder.
3. Swedish and Swedish-English Home Missions. Rev. G. A. Brandelle, D.D.
4. German Home Missions. Rev. E. Knappe.
5. Slav Missions. Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph.D.

Friday Evening, September 12, 1913.

8.00 o'clock. LAYMEN'S MASS MEETING.

SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED

(1) A National View of the Lutheran Church in America.
Prof. Andrew Kempe.

(2) How can the Laymen of the General Council and all other Lutheran Bodies work for a better understanding and practical cooperation in their business operations, and thereby, conserve and advance the great work that faces the Lutheran Church in North America?
Hon. Frank N. Riter.

(3) Lutheran Laymen must be awakened to a greater measure of responsibility for the advance of social service work in Community, State and Nation in order that the Church may reap its greatest harvest for God's Kingdom.
Rev. J. A. W. Haas, D.D.

(4) A Ministerium Pension Fund is a vital necessity, not alone from the viewpoint of love and justice, but from sound business considerations, well illustrated by the establishment and success of Pension Funds in some of our large corporations.
J. K. Jensen.

(5) A fitting celebration of the 400th anniversary of Martin Luther—1917.

Sunday Morning, September 14, 1913.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

Sunday-school Service.
The Morning Service.

Sunday Afternoon, September 14, 1913.

3.00 o'clock. CONVOCATION of Toledo and other Ohio Lutherans in Memorial Hall.

Sunday Evening, September 14, 1913.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

VESPER SERVICE.

Monday Evening, September 15, 1913.

8.00 o'clock. GENERAL COUNCIL MISSION SERVICE.

1. Porto Rico Mission. Rev. A. Ostrom.
2. Mission in Japan. Rev. F. D. Smith.
3. The Inner Mission and Humanitarianism. Rev. J. F. Ohl, Mus.D.
4. Church Extension. Rev. C. L. Fry, D.D.
5. Immigrant Mission. Rev. F. O. Evers.

PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 9th.

St. John's Church, Erie, the Rev. G. A. Benze, D.D., pastor.

2.00 P. M. GERMAN CONFERENCE.

Wednesday, September 10th.

Sunday-school Room of St. Matthew's Church.

9.30 A. M. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.
10.30 A. M. SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK COMMITTEE.
2.30 P. M. ENGLISH CONFERENCE.
7.30 P. M. INNER MISSION COMMITTEE.

IV. Rules of Order

I. THE REPORTS TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL

(1) Boards and Committees shall *send in their Reports,* without recommendations, *to the English Recording Secretary* of the General Council at least *one month before* the convening of the Council. This action is to be construed as requiring the omission of resolutions recommending action from all the printed reports distributed in advance of the convention of the Council. (Minutes, 1911, p. 246.)

(2) The *Recommendations* of Reports *shall be presented in writing* on the floor of the convention. (Minutes, 1911, p. 246.)

(3) The English Recording Secretary shall send out *a Bulletin* or *Booklet* containing Reports to the Secretaries of Synods ten days in advance of the convention. (Minutes, 1911, p. 246.)

(4) In cases where *Reports* of Standing Committees or Boards are *not printed, no descriptive matter,* or matter referring simply to past progress, and without looking toward a recommendation or action on the point under consideration, *shall be read,* unless specially called for by a majority vote of the Council. (Minutes, 1909, p. 31.)

(5) In all Reports, the consideration of *undigested details shall be referred,* as far as possible, to special committees, which shall first put them in proper form before they come to discussion upon the floor. (Minutes, 1909, p. 29.)

(6) In printed Reports, *itemized accounts shall not be read* unless called for, but only the totals at the foot of the columns. This does not apply to the Report of the Treasurer of the Council. (Minutes, 1909, p. 31.)

(7) In the Order of Business, *two hours' time shall be the maximum* allowed for any Board or Standing Committee to present and consider its business, unless the rule be suspended by a three-fourths vote; and the presentation or consideration of the business of the Board or Committee in question still unfinished shall go over until after the reports of the remaining Boards and important Standing Committees have been read, when consideration of it shall be resumed prior to the introduction of any new business, for another period not exceeding two hours. (Minutes 1909, p. 29.)

(8) The *Institutional Reports* made to the General Council *shall be consolidated into one General Report* on Inner Mission Work.

(a) The Committee on Inner Mission Work shall be charged with preparing a **Report** which **shall include** in itself **the statistics of all the Inner Mission Institutions** and Agencies within the General Council.

(b) **All Inner Mission Agencies and Institutions** of the General Council **shall be** charged with the duty of **sending their reports sufficiently in advance** to the chairman of the **Committee on Inner Mission Work** to enable him to tabulate and complete his report.

(c) When the report of Inner Mission Work of the General Council is presented to the Council, such **representatives of Institutions** and Inner Mission agencies as may be present at the Council **shall be given the privilege of the floor** in the order of the presentation of the report of the institutions with which they are connected, to emphasize such items in the report as may be deemed desirable. (Minutes, 1909, p. 28.)

2. THE DELEGATIONS TO GENERAL COUNCIL

(1) *Lists of Delegates* to the General Council are *to be furnished* the President and Secretary *two weeks in advance* of the meeting of the Council. (Minutes, 1911, p. 246.)

(2) *The Presiding Officer shall require certificates* of appointment from delegates claiming seats, and decide upon the validity of credentials. An appeal from his decision may be made to the convention after the whole number of certificates shall have been presented. (By-Laws of General Council, Minutes, 1911, p. 301.)

3. COMPLETING DELEGATIONS AT GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

Synods may fill in the remaining third of their delegation *up to the morning of the second day by presenting* their *credentials to the President.* (Minutes, 1911, p. 246.)

4. PROMPT ISSUE OF BRIEF PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

A committee shall be appointed on Abstracts which shall work during the sessions of the convention and issue these Abstracts after they have been approved by the President within a few days subsequent to the final adjournment of the General Council. (Minutes, 1911, p. 246.)

5. CONSTITUTION OF GENERAL COUNCIL

The Constitution of the General Council, with the By-Laws and the old Rules of Order will be found in Minutes of 1911, pp. 301-303.

V. Unfinished Business of 1911

1. CHURCH BOOK

Pp. 28, 235. Sundry items in 1909 Minutes referring to Common Hymnal, Conforming Church Book to Standard, Harmonizing of Kirchenbuch and Church Book, use of Standard Text of Catechism in General Council Publications, etc.

P. 51. Scandinavian Hymns and Tunes, etc., in Church Book.

Pp. 233, 234. Completion of Common Service Book and Hymnal with Music.

2. EDUCATION

P. 24. Board of Education to invite co-operation concerning half-day for religious instruction.

P. 26. Charter and Constitution of Canada Theological Seminary.

(Has been approved.)

P. 114. Lutheran Colleges pay special attention to Mission Study.
P. 135. Additional Theological Seminaries.
Pp. 216, 217. Manitoba College and Co-operation of Icelandic Synod.
P. 247. Board of Education to specify requirements for approved Educational Institutions.
P. 248. Committee on Pacific Synod Seminary.

(Has acted, and their Report been finally approved.)

3. ENGLISH HOME MISSIONS

P. 114. Mission Boards to confer on common Missionary Magazine.
P. 135. General Synod Home Mission Board's action referred to Committee on Arbitration.
P. 135. Synods to appoint Committees on Securing more Men for the Ministry.
P. 135. Additional Theological Seminaries.
P. 218. English Board to consider co-operation in Icelandic School.
P. 238. Collection of Mission Statistics transferred to Committee on Statistics.
P. 245. Concerning Expenses of Arbitration Commission.

(Has been attended to.)

4. FINANCIAL

P. 59. Finance Committee to furnish relief for overburdened officers.
P. 187. See German Items.
P. 189. Treasurers of all Boards and certain committees to itemize total receipts of each Synod.
P. 189. Budget Work transferred to Finance Committee with a view to completion prior to General Council Meeting.
Pp. 202, 203. Ministerial Pension Fund Report recommitted.

5. FOREIGN AND PORTO RICO MISSIONS

Pp. 27, 28. Transfer of Foreign Mission Property referred to Trustees.
P. 114. Mission Boards to prepare Literature for Mission Study classes.
P. 114. Mission Boards to confer on common Missionary Magazine.
P. 114. Rules and Regulations for Foreign Missions (Minutes 1909, page 155, Resolution 9).

6. GERMAN ITEMS

P. 187. Season and receptacles for gathering German Home Mission Church Extension or Building Fund.
P. 188. Ohio inroad referred to Arbitration Committee.
P. 217. German Board to consider co-operation in Icelandic School.

7. INNER MISSIONS

P. 27. All Inner Mission Reports to be sent for compilation to Inner Mission Committee.

8. NEXT CONVENTION

P. 174. Laymen's Business Meeting four to six P. M. Friday and Laymen's Mass Meeting Friday evening.
P. 246. Committee on Abstracts to work during Convention.
P. 250. Committee of three on Arrangements.

9. PUBLICATION MATTERS

P. 26. Co-operation of other general Bodies in Common Year Book.

10. STATISTICAL ITEMS

P. 26. Details of Common Year Book left to Committee on Statistics.
P. 26. Gathering of complete and reliable Statistics.
P. 236. Plan of Uniform Statistics.
P. 236. Importance of complete and uniform Statistics.
P. 236. Statistical Year Book item re-referred to Committee.
P. 238. Statistics to be furnished by August 1st, and collated by Committee on Statistics.

11. SYNODICAL AND GENERAL

P. 10. Application of Zion Slovak Synod and appointment of Committee to assist in organization.
P. 24. Synods' Attention drawn to Student Work.
P. 27. General Council Delegates' Report to be given early place in the business of Synods.
P. 27. Did Synods appoint a General Council Day?
P. 135. Synods to appoint committees to further the securing of men for the Ministry.
P. 189. Total Receipts of each Synod to be itemized by the Treasurers.
P. 236. Printed Minutes of each District Synod to be sent to Committee on Statistics.
P. 236. Synods urged to present Complete and Uniform Statistics.
P. 238. Synodical Secretaries to furnish copies of Minutes to Presidents and Secretaries of General Council and, page 236, Chairman on the Committee of Statistics.

VI. Official Reporters

Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph.D.
Rev. F. H. Bosch.
Rev. Wm. Eckert.
Rev. C. N. Clemens.
Rev. E. J. Wackernagel.
Rev. E. A. Trabert.

On motion the above report was adopted.

By appointment of the President, the Rev. I. Chantry Hoffman, of Philadelphia, had charge of the liturgical services of the week.

Adjourned, the Rev. Dr. John Haas leading in the Lord's Prayer.

SECOND SESSION

Thursday, September 11, 2 p. m.

The Rev. I. Chantry Hoffman, of Philadelphia, conducted the devotional services.

The Roll Call was dispensed with, and the Minutes of the First Session were read and approved.

The Committee on the Reception of New Synods reported. See First Session.

The Rev. H. R. Erdmann presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SLOVAK SYNOD ORGANIZATION

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the General Council to advise with certain Slovak pastors who desired to organize a Synod that would be received into the General Council, respectfully report: That, having been subsequently informed by the representative of these pastors at the meeting of the General Council in Lancaster, Pa., in 1911, that those interested in the movement were not ready at present to proceed to the contemplated organization, there has been no opportunity for the committee to fulfil the duty for which it was appointed. We ask, therefore, to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGO R. ERDMANN,
HENRY E. JACOBS,
ALFRED APPELL.

The report was adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The President appointed as tellers: For President, the Revs. E. F. Bachmann, F. C. Oberly, R. D. Roeder, C. H. Little and Messrs. G. E. Schlegelmilch, J. B. Franke and C. R. Lantz. For Secretaries, the Revs. W. M. Horn, W. M. Rehrig, Ph.D., G. A. Ekeberg, and Prof. P. W. H. Frederick, Prof. C. F. Carlbert, Ph.D., D. D. Fritch, M.D., and J. H. Axline, M.D. For Treasurer, the Rev. S. E. Ochsenford, D.D., and Messrs. F. D. Bittner, F. J. Walter and C. T. A. Anderson.

The election was completed before adjournment. Excepting the Treasurer, who declined re-election, the former incumbents were re-elected, the election of the President being made unanimous. The Officers are as follows:

PRESIDENT

Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., Lebanon, Pa.

RECORDING SECRETARIES

English—Rev. William K. Frick, D.D., Milwaukee, Wis.

German—Rev. Gottlieb C. Berkemeier, D.D., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Swedish—Rev. Laurentius G. Abrahamson, D.D., K.N.O., Rock Island, Ill.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES

English—Rev. Frederick A. Kaehler, D.D., Buffalo, N. Y.

German—Rev. Prof. Henry Offermann, D.D., Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Pa.

Swedish—Rev. Alfred Appell, Burlington, Ia.

TREASURER

Mr. Andrew G. Anderson, R.V.O., Rock Island, Ill.

The Presidents of the several Synods, excepting the Synod from which the President is chosen, are ex-officio the Vice-Presidents of the General Council. (See the Directory for names.)

Pending the announcement of the results of the balloting, the regular order of business was taken up.

OFFICIAL VISITORS ANNOUNCED

The presence of the Rev. Dr. J. A. Singmaster, representing the General Synod, and the Rev. Prof. Max Fritschel, representing the Iowa Synod, having been announced, and their credentials having been handed to the President, it was, upon request of Dr. Singmaster, on motion of Dr. Haas,

Resolved, That the customary privileges of the floor be accorded to these brethren, and that Dr. Singmaster be heard on Friday morning.

Several Documents were received from Synods and referred to their appropriate committees.

Committee on Documents: The Revs. W. G. Dressler, D.D., G. A. Brandelle, D.D., E. F. Keever, D.D., and A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D.

The Secretaries presented the following abstracts of the transactions of the various Synods as prepared by their respective Presidents. On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Abstracts be received, spread upon the Minutes and referred, with the printed minutes of the Synods, to the Committee on the Minutes of Synods.

Committee: The Revs. W. M. Rehrig, Ph.D., R. D. Roeder, T. H. Becker, H. Peters, D.D., J. F. Beates, and F. F. Fry, D.D.

ABSTRACTS OF MINUTES OF DISTRICT SYNODS

I.—Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States

The Ministerium of Pennsylvania has held one special and two regular meetings since the last convention of the General Council.

The annual report for the year ending May, 1913, shows this Synod to consist of 407 ministers, 582 congregations constituting 350 parishes, and 154,356 confirmed members, of whom 119,141 were communicants, 509 adults and 7,924 infants were baptized, and 6,098 persons confirmed, 99,476 scholars are instructed by 10,736 officers and teachers in 518 Sunday-schools. The value of church property is reported as $8,883,097.93 with an indebtedness of $1,137,210.93. The total congregational expenses amounted to $970,488.43 and the total benevolent contributions to $134,-342.16, during the last year.

The most notable action of the Ministerium was the decision to raise $500,000 as an Educational Fund, to be divided between the Mt. Airy Theological Seminary and Muhlenberg College. Active work is being vigorously pushed forward. The need of more ministers of the Gospel was emphasized, and the great question of educating young men for the ministry received careful consideration. Congregations were urged to remember this cause regularly in their prayers, and by establishing scholarships, and in other ways, to aid and encourage students to prepare themselves for this office. The Synod also expressed itself as being willing to assist any young man who has the proper qualifications and the necessary consecration, in his efforts to enter the work of the Gospel ministry.

The Missionary Policy of the Ministerium, especially in Philadelphia and Eastern Pennsylvania, was brought up through a series of resolutions by Dr. H. E. Jacobs. He showed, that since the organization of the Synod in 1748, "the solemn trust of providing and guaranteeing the Word and Sacraments in their purity for all the children of the Lutheran Church within the city of Philadelphia and the territory adjacent" has been the obligation of the Ministerium. Other bodies have come forth from this Synod, which are now carrying on an effective and a blessed work. A uniting of forces is desirable. However, until that time comes, the Ministerium must be true to her pledges. The spirited discussion that followed the presentation of the theses, led up to the clear statement of our position, that this Ministerium cannot consider the right of other Synods bearing the Lutheran name, to preempt territory.

In the death of Major Artman, the Ministerium lost a valuable layman. By his will he has left large and unusual legacies to the Church. The Theological Seminary receives a professorship in the sum of $40,000; a new home is to be founded and called "The Artman Home for Lutherans," for which $100,000 were left; and other charitable gifts swell the total to over $200,000.

Both our great schools of learning, the seminary and the college, are in a flourishing condition. Additional ground and a new refectory have been added at the seminary and a new refectory at the college. These

two institutions possess groups of buildings and property of which the entire Church may be justly proud. By the election of the Rev. C. M. Jacobs, D.D., as graduate professor, on the nomination of the New York and New England Synod, to fill the new Charles A. Schieren professorship, a new department of theological instruction at the seminary was inaugurated. The new course will go into effect October 1, 1913. Courses will be offered in all departments of theology, and the faculty will make every effort to meet the needs of the alumni of this and other theological seminaries, who may desire to pursue special lines of theological study.

This Ministerium suffered a great loss, a few weeks after its last convention, in the sudden death of its able and efficient English Secretary, the Rev. O. E. Pflueger, on July 22, 1913. He had served this Synod as an officer for ten years with exceptional ability and great faithfulness.

JOHN A. W. HAAS, *President.*

II.—New York Ministerium

The New York Ministerium met in annual session June 13 to 18, 1912, in the Evangelical Lutheran St. Paul's Church, 123rd street, New York City, Rev. F. H. Bosch, pastor. At this meeting several important matters were brought before Synod and action taken on them. In the first place the apportionment system of the Synod, which had been placed in the hands of a committee for readjustment, was presented to the Synod by the committee in the new complete form and adopted. It was made to cover all the needs of the church both in Synod and General Council. The system will go into operation in the year 1914.

Secondly, our professorship in the seminary in Philadelphia was the subject of very earnest discussion. Finally it was resolved to raise the salary of our professor to $2,000. This was to be accomplished through the efforts of the lay-conference of the Ministerium.

At the meeting of the Ministerium held June 5 to 9, 1913, in the German Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, Middle Village, Long Island, New York, Rev. D. W. Peterson, pastor, action was taken with reference to the purchase of a suitable dwelling for our professor in the seminary in Philadelphia, and the Executive Committee empowered to carry out the action of the Synod which has since been done. A house adjoining the seminary ground has been bought for the sum of $10,000 and was taken possession of by the professor at the beginning of September of this year (1913).

The matter of a change of curriculum in Wagner College, which had been suggested by Synod in its meeting of the year 1912, and had been placed in the hands of a committee for consideration, was taken up in the meeting of 1913 for discussion; action on it however was deferred to the next meeting of Synod, 1914.

The New York Ministerium now numbers 153 pastors, 121 congregations, 36,789 confirmed members. The value of the church property in the Synod amounts to about $4,600,000; for benevolence about $90,000 were raised within two years, 1912 and 1913; and for congregational purposes

$895,000. The officers of the Ministerium are: President, Rev. C. G. Fischer; German Secretary, Rev. E. A. Tappert; English Secretary, Rev. F. Sutter; Treasurer, Mr. Theo. Roehrs.

C. G. FISCHER, *President.*

III. The Pittsburgh Synod

The Pittsburgh Synod held two regular conventions during the last two years. The latter convention was held at two different times and places. The first eleven sessions were held in Rochester, Pa., May 22-27, 1913, and the remaining sessions were held in Greenville, Pa., Sept. 2 and 3, 1913.

The annual report for the year ending Dec. 1, 1912, shows the synod to consist of 149 ministers, 128 parishes, 191 congregations, 30,849 communicant members, 17,350 Sunday-school scholars, 73 Luther Leagues, 108 Ladies' Aid and Missionary Societies, 34 Men's Societies. The church property is valued at $2,095,370, and contributions for all benevolence for the biennium amounted to $85,451.48. The synod supports 57 missions.

The most notable actions of the synod have been: 1. The election of a President for a period of five years, who is to give his entire time and energy to the planning, building up, and extension of the kingdom.

2. The resolution adopted to turn over our 57 missions to be superintended by the Board of English Home Missions of the General Council, subject to constitutional changes.

3. Thiel College has been successful in prosecuting its campaign of raising $100,000.

4. A beautiful new Administration Building has been erected and dedicated at Thiel College at a cost of $70,000.

5. The laymen of the synod have resolved to raise $25,000 to meet the educational, missionary, and increasing financial obligations of Synod.

Among the charitable institutions, the following have been especially favored: The Epileptic Homes at Rochester, Pa., erected a beautiful new dormitory for boys at a cost of $20,000. The Lutheran Home for the Aged at Erie, Pa., received a bequest of $10,000 from the will of the late A. F. Dobler.

Death invaded the ranks of our ministers and removed from among us the Revs. Abraham M. Strauss, W. J. Miller, D.D., Richard C. Rengier, Henry Voegle, and J. L. Smith, D.D. These men were earnest and devout laborers. Some of them were prominent members on various General Council Boards, and hence will be greatly missed by the Church at large.

In the matter of apportionments of the General Council to the Synod, pages 75 and 76, Min. 1912, the following resolution was adopted: "*Resolved,* That we approve the apportionments made by the General Council to our Synod with the understanding that these apportionments made for the support of our several Boards are to be construed as standards for giving and not as binding obligations."

The Synod instructed its delegates to the General Council to request the Board of Education to provide adequate literature for our young people, so as to induce them to give themselves for the ministry of the Word and the works of mercy.

G. Franklin Gehr, *President.*

IV.—The District Synod of Ohio

During the past biennium this Synod, comprising the Northern, the Southeastern and the Southwestern Conferences, convened June 6 to 10, 1912, in St. John's Church, Findlay, O., Rev. W. G. Dressler, pastor, who was at that meeting elected President of Synod. The last convention was held May 22 to 26, 1913, in Roseville, Ohio, in St. Paul's Church, Rev. Paul R. Siebert, pastor. With this meeting the Synod records two years of unusual prosperity.

The following is the latest report of our Synodical Statistician:

Pastors enrolled	49
Parishes	55
Congregations	86
Confirmed membership	14,415
Sunday-schools	85
Scholars enrolled	10,202
Students in colleges	58
Students in Lutheran colleges	21
Beneficiary students	10
Students in the seminary	7
Value of church property	$807,775 00
Expended for local objects	$110,271 37
Expended for benevolence	$ 14,672 40
Pastors received during the biennium	11
Pastors dismissed to other Synods	12

Theses prepared by the committee and discussed by Synod were those on Baptism and Confirmation.

Dedications.—In addition to extensive church renovations, the following new churches have been dedicated: Martin Luther Church, Toledo, O., Dec., 1911, Rev. William Brenner, pastor. Cost of the edifice, $40,000. The First Evangeligal Lutheran Church of Barberton, O., July, 1912, Rev. H. C. TerVehn, pastor. Cost of church, $18,000. Emmaus Church, Cleveland, O., Oct., 1912, Rev. R. A. Albert, missionary. Cost of chapel, $6,000. The First English Lutheran Church, Columbus, O., January, 1913, Rev. H. N. Miller, Ph.D., pastor. Cost of edifice, $42,000. Salem Church, Bakersville, O., July, 1912, Rev. E. J. E. Kuhlmann, pastor. Cost of building, $5,000. St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Lafayette, O., June, 1913, Rev. H. G. Miley, pastor. Cost of church, $10,000. Zion's Lutheran Church, Adamsville, O., June, 1913, Rev. J. J. S. Rumbarger, pastor. Cost of building, $8,000. St. Jacob's Lutheran Church, Stoutsville, O., August, 1913, Rev. J. A. Schofer, pastor. Cost of building, $8,000.

Among the large pipe organs installed were those of: St. Matthew's, Toledo, $4,000; First English Lutheran Church, Columbus, $3,000; Martin Luther Church, Toledo, $2,000; Roseville, O., $1,400; Wapakoneta, $1,700; Adamsville, $1,200; Middlepoint, $1,000.

New parsonages and other improvements in our church edifices bear evidence of the life and new growth of the Synod.

Anniversaries.—The New Hope congregation of Adamsville, celebrated its one hundredth anniversary, Sept., 1911. The pastor, Rev. J. J. S. Rumbarger, has published a neat souvenir of 60 pages. Holy Trinity congregation, near Canton, celebrated its one hundredth anniversary October, 1911, Rev. H. T. Weber, pastor. Israel congregation, of the Amanda parish, near Lancaster, celebrated its one hundredth anniversary in 1912. Rev. G. F. Dittmar, the pastor, wrote an extensive history of the congregation. The first Lutheran Conference ever held in Ohio convened in the Israel congregation in 1813, which finally resulted in the organization of the Ohio Synod in 1818. The First English Lutheran Church, of Columbus, celebrated its Golden Jubilee, December, 1912. It was the last service in the old church. The St. Luke's congregation, of Springfield, Rev. S. B. Stupp, pastor, celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary in May, 1913.

Missions and Education.—Although no new missions have been organized for some time, yet some of our missions, in spite of the high cost of living, have become self-supporting, while a few others will declare themselves able before long. Rev. H. C. TerVehn has been called as Field Missionary to Cleveland where we already have one prosperous mission. Prospects are ripe and operations will soon begin in Toledo and in Columbus. The Synod has contributed $5,000 to the Home Mission Board during the past year. Our Synodical Mission Board held a very profitable Mission Conference in Toledo last January. More of such conferences will be held in the future. Our Synodical Board has for the past two years presented mission topics to be discussed by the laymen during the sessions of Synod. At the last meeting the topic for discussion was, "The Laymen's place in the Church," which was earnestly discussed by delegates and progressive laymen. Our Synodical Church Extension Fund, begun five years ago, has reached the sum of over $3,000.

It is a fact to be lamented, that the Synod possesses no charitable or educational institutions. The necessity of such institutions is more deeply felt as we move along the lines of progress. The Synod is supporting the Ohio Professorship of the Chicago Seminary. Steps are being taken towards uniting with the sister Synod of Chicago and that of the Northwest in establishing a much-needed college of the Middle West. Our Committee on College Project has appointed a sub-committee to confer with like committees of the other Synods.

The Synod has appointed a committee to confer with the Endowment Committee of the Chicago Seminary to consider the proposition of raising an endowment fund of $150,000.

Through the generous contributions of our congregations and the liberal gifts and bequests of our friends, *The Christian Home Fund* has been steadily increasing and strong hopes are now entertained for the founding of a charitable institution, in the near future, within the bounds of our Synod.

The Woman's Synodical Missionary Society is in cooperation with the Women's Federation of the General Council. Societies are rapidly multiplying in the Synod so that we shall soon have a Women's Missionary Society in every congregation, studying the monthly Mission Topics published by the Federation.

The treasurer's annual report shows a disbursement of $1,409.76. What the Synod as a whole could scarcely undertake years ago is now being accomplished by our devoted women alone.

The Disastrous Flood of March, 1913, which extended over the greater part of the state, resulted in great loss and suffering to many of our congregations. Permit us to offer an expression of profound gratitude to all pastors and congregations of the General Council and others, who have so liberally contributed toward the restoration of our church buildings and for the relief of those who were in distress. The Synodical Committee on Flood Relief has made judicious distribution of $1,448.73.

A feeling of gratitude is manifest in our Synod that the General Conucil meets on the territory of the District Synod of Ohio, and that one of its congregations has the honor of entertaining this great body of Lutherans during its Thirty-fourth Biennial Convention.

The next and 58th Convention of our Synod will take place June 11 to 15, 1914, in Salem Lutheran Church, Ellerton, Ohio, Rev. V. B. Christy, pastor.

W. Geo. Dressler, *President.*

V. The Augustana Synod

Since the last meeting of the General Council, the Augustana Synod has held two regular meetings. The present officers of the Synod are as follows: President, Rev. L. A. Johnston, D.D., St. Paul, Minn.; Vice-President, Rev. G. A. Brandelle, D.D., Denver, Colo.; Secretary, Rev. Jos. A. Anderson Boxholm, Iowa; Treasurer, Mr. K. T. Anderson, Rock Island, Ills.

Aside from the preaching of the Gospel and the instructing of the young, particular stress has been laid on the prosecution of the Home and Foreign Mission Work. During the past biennium 350 congregations have been supported more or less by the Home Mission Boards of Synod and of the different Conferences. The increase of interest in the foreign mission work is very perceptible and five men and four women have been sent to foreign fields during the past two years.

The educational work is pushed with all possible vigor. Last fall the eleventh institution of learning of our Synod was opened up in the shape of an Academy at Percival, Sask., Can. The attendance at the four Colleges and seven Academies of the Synod is gratifyingly large. Augustana College has increased its endowment fund by something like $125,000. The remaining three Colleges are also hard at work securing additional endowments. In the spring of 1912 Rev. Dr. S. G. Youngert resigned as professor at the Theological Seminary. Rev. C. J. Sodergren was chosen to take his place. Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn., celebrated its fiftieth anniversary last year.

Appropriations of $300 and $200 respectively have been made by the Synod for the mission work of the General Council among the Slovaks and the Jews for the year 1912. In connection therewith the following resolution was adopted: "In view of the fact that the Augustana Synod is very heavily burdened with the maintenance of its own Home Mission, which is constantly increasing its demands, the Synod regrets its inability to support the General Council mission to the Slovaks and the Jews after the close of 1912." The sum of $350 per year, for the biennium, was voted the University Work of the General Council. The Synod by reason of it having a Ministerial Pension Fund of its own, does not feel that it can join hands with the General Council in raising the sum of Two Million Dollars for a General Council Ministerial Pension Fund.

During the past two years fifty young men have been ordained to the office of the ministry, 25 ministers have passed to their reward and two have returned to Sweden. At present 659 ministers are on the roll of the Synod. Number of congregations belonging to the Synod, 1,165; churches, 1,043; parsonages, 523. Communicant membership, 176,299; total membership, 264,694. Baptisms have been as follows: Adults, 304; children belonging to members of the church, 9,691; children belonging to non-church members, 13,078. Confirmations, 17,407. Received, 18,616; removed, 11,141; deceased, 3,842; dropped, 13,104; excommunicated, 45. The church properties are valued at $10,308,584 and are encumbered by debt to the amount of $1,255,643. The net value of the educational institutions of the Synod is $1,078,422; and that of the benevolent institutions, $953,672.

The receipts for the biennium were as follows: Home Missions, $165,-616.73; foreign missions, $71,978.02; immigrant missions, $9,361.43; church extension, $1,514.43; education, $152,851.19; orphans' home, $61,215.02; hospital, $12,984.28; deaconess work, $7,778.90; ministerial aid fund, $26,-052.21; benevolence, $65,078.60; salaries in congregations, $1,378,584.16; congregational expenses in general, $1,868,192.12. Total receipts for all purposes: $3,821,207.09. In addition to this, the educational institutions were run at an expense of about $572,072. The outlay for the upkeep of the benevolent institutions amounted to about $713,400.

Last year there were 18,500 children in the parochial schools and 73,000 in the Sunday-schools. The net value of the Augustana Book Concern is placed at $207,281.99.

G. A. Brandelle, *Vice-President.*

VI. The Canada Synod

The 51st and 52d annual meetings, due during the past biennium, were held in Trinity Lutheran Church, New Hamburg, Ont., and in St. John's Church, Waterloo, Ont., respectively. Both meetings bore testimony to the healthy advancement of the cause of our Church in Canada. The most important step taken since our last report to the General Council was the starting of practical work in the newly-established Theological Seminary at Waterloo, Ont. Six students have been in regular attendance during the first two scholastic years; a number of newcomers are expected at the opening of the third year in September. One regular professor (Rev. O. Lincke) and 3 instructors (Revs. P. C. Wike, R. R. Durst, and M. J. Bieber) have so far constituted the faculty. The management by a Board composed of members of the two (German and English) Canada Synods has been most harmonious. A second regular professor for the purely English part of the work has been called, and the building of either a dormitory or a professor's house planned. Altogether God has blessed the modest beginning beyond our expectations.

The following latest statistics show the present state of the Synod: Ministers 43; congregations and preaching stations 85; communicant members 14,000; voting-members 5,000; souls 23,000; parochial (Saturday) schools 37, with 22 teachers and 810 scholars; Sunday-schools 60, with 572 teachers and 4,152 scholars; baptisms 646; confirmations 540; deaths 255; converts 24; marriages 250; members in young people's societies 800.

During the biennium the Synod has contributed for Home Missions $7,100; for Foreign Missions $2,600; for Orphans $840; for Invalid Ministers' Fund $900; for different benevolent purposes, mostly Inner Mission and educational, $9,967; for congregational purposes approximately $200,000. The Invalid Ministers' Fund amounts to $12,500. The Synod at present supports 5 mission fields with 24 congregations or preaching stations, 11 of which are situated in New Ontario and are served by a traveling missionary. As usual the Synod has met its obligations towards the support of the Kropp Seminary to the amount of $800.

The Synod resolved to request the General Council to extend its Emigrant Mission work to Canadian harbors, especially Montreal and Quebec. At the same time a Committee on Emigrant Mission was appointed with authority to act, viz., to commence such mission work in connection with the Synod of Central Canada in case the General Council could not comply with the above request.

The officers of the Synod are: Pres., Rev. E. Hoffmann, D.D., 213 Carlton St., Toronto, Ont.; Vice Pres., Rev. J. Strempfer, Elmira, Ont.; Secretary, Rev. H. Henkel, Pearl Lake, Ont.; Treas., Rev. E. Holm, Wellesley, Ont. The next annual meeting will D. V. commence Thursday after Pentecost, 1914. Place of meeting has not yet been decided upon.

E. Hoffmann, *President.*

VII.—The Chicago Synod

Two regular Conventions of the Chicago Synod have been held during the past biennium, the forty-second at Claremont, Illinois, June 11 to 16, 1912, and the forty-third at Mulberry, Indiana, June 5 to 9, 1913.

The Minutes disclose the following information: Ministers, 39; congregations, 67; communicants, 7,356; property value, $610,200; total beneficence for two years, $25,227.16; Sunday-schools, 50; scholars, 6,173.

During the biennium eleven ministers have been received, and ten have been dismissed to other Synods.

The number of communicant members is 374 less than previously reported. This is accounted for by the revision of membership rolls. Though less in number, the accomplishments of the Synod are greater as indicated by the increased benevolences which for the same time amount to $2,227.16.

Peculiar conditions due to lack of men and money required our attention for the missions already established rather than to the establishing of new ones. These conditions having now to a large extent been met and solved, we are justified in looking for a new era in Home Mission activities.

The alertness of the Synod to the whole missionary situation is seen by its increased appropriations to the several departments, which necessitated the raising of the per capita apportionment from $1.50 to $1.60.

Matters pertaining to education received due consideration. Weidner Institute at Mulberry, Indiana, and the Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary at Maywood, Illinois, were given recognition for the service they are rendering to the Church. The Seminary having received a conditional offer of endowment, Synod authorized the appointment of a Special Committee to cooperate with the Seminary's Endowment Committee to meet the conditions.

Realizing the need of a representative Church college for the Middle West, Synod authorized the appointment of a special committee to confer with similar special committees to be appointed by the District Synod of Ohio and the English Synod of the Northwest.

The further development of the laymen's work was placed in the hands of a special committee.

The report of the "Women's Missionary Society of the Chicago Synod" revealed the importance of women's work in the building up of the kingdom. Sixteen auxiliaries raised over $500 for missions.

A resolution "to petition the Board of Publication of the General Council to establish and maintain a branch house for the sale of its publications in the city of Chicago" was adopted.

The strategical location and increasing importance of the field indicates the need of a President who can give his entire time and attention to its development. Accordingly, the matter of a salaried President was re-

ferred to the congregations for approval. The action of each congregation will be reported at the next annual Convention. In the meantime the sum of $200 was placed at the disposal of the President with which to secure necessary help to care for his present parish work.

The Officers of Synod are: President, Rev. Benj. F. Hoefer, Elgin, Illinois; Secretary, Rev. W. J. Seiberling, Mulberry, Indiana; Treasurer, Rev. Luther J. Smith, Goshen, Indiana.

The next convention will be held at Vandalia, Illinois, June 16, 1914.

BENJ. F. HOEFER, *President.*

VIII.—The English Synod of the Northwest

Since the last meeting of the General Council the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest has held two conventions: one at Platteville, Wis., the Rev. L. W. Steckel, pastor, June 4-7, 1912, and the other at Church of the Redeemer, Zumbrota, Minn., the Rev. Willis Beck, pastor, May 20-23, 1913.

At present Synod shows the following statistics: Ministers, 35; congregations, 38; confirmed membership, 9,440; baptized membership, 16,364; Sunday-schools, 38; scholars, 7,038; value of property, $562,500.00; contribution for current expenses (for biennium), $102,534.86; for benevolences for the same period, $18,466.47.

Marked progress in all lines of the Synod's activities has been noted. The Relief Fund has been increased up to $11,000.00. Credit is due to Mr. C. A. Smith who donated last year $4,500.00 to this fund. The pastors and congregations have faithfully paid their quota.

The following congregations have been organized and received: Lake Park, Milwaukee; St. Paul's, Neenah, Wis.; and Holy Trinity, Marshall, Wis.

The Synod has pledged itself to the support of a Professorship at the Chicago Theological Seminary, Maywood. The salaries of many of the pastors of Synod have been raised. An attempt is made to have the minimum salary at $1,500.00.

One member of Synod, the Rev. Dr. A. J. D. Haupt, has seen his daughter, Margaret, commissioned as missionary to India. The Twelve Weeks of Mission Study recommended by the Home Mission Board have been well observed.

At the 23rd Convention a Committee on Christian Education was appointed which should look into the feasibility of establishing, conjointly with other Synods, an academy and college at Maywood in connection with the Theological Seminary.

Beautiful churches have been erected by St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D., Lake Park, Milwaukee, Livingston, Mon., Reformation, St. Paul, First Church, Winnipeg and Redeemer, Zumbrota.

Official recognition was taken of the thirtieth anniversary of English Lutheranism in the Northwest and the fortieth anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. William K. Frick, D.D.

Present officers of Synod are : The Rev. Anthony F. Elmquist, Ph.D., Minneapolis, Minn., President; the Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, Milwaukee, Wis., Secretary; Mr. J. K. Jensen, Janesville, Wis., Treasurer. The next Convention of Synod will be held at Church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis.

ANTHONY F. ELMQUIST, *President.*

IX.—The Manitoba Synod

The eleventh Convention of the Synod of Manitoba and Other Provinces was held in the Evangelical Lutheran Christus Church in Rosthern, Sask., (Rev. G. O. Juettner, pastor), Aug. 6 to 10, 1913.

The statistics of the Synod are the following: Ministers, 33; congregations, 62; baptized membership, 8,240; confirmed membership, 4,117. The current expenses amounted to $15,529; the expenses for benevolence, $2,583; the special expenses amounted, $12,138. Twelve ministers entered the Synod during the last biennium, while six left. Seven new churches were dedicated, eight new parsonages built. During the Convention of the Synod the greatest attention was paid to the college affairs. A special meeting of the Synod had been held at Edmonton, Aug. 15, 1912. There a committee had been appointed that should begin with the establishment of the college. This was done in the spring of 1913 at Edmonton. Five scholars attended the school. It was resolved to go on with the work. A Board of Directors, consisting of three ministers and three laymen, has been elected. Also the election of one college director and one professor took place. The permanent location of the college is uncertain yet.

The officers of the Synod are: President, Rev. J. Goos, Spruce Grove, Alta.; Secretary, Rev. H. Becker, Emerson, Man.; Treasurer, F. W. Handel, Esq., Winnipeg, Man. The next meeting will be held in 1915, probably in Winnipeg, Man.

J. Goos, *President.*

X. The Pacific Synod

Two conventions were held since the last meeting of the General Council, the Twelfth, June 12-16, 1912, in St. John's Church, Chehalis, Wash., the Rev. Wm. F. Holl, pastor, and the Thirteenth, June 25-29, 1913, in St. Paul's Church, Vancouver, Wash., the Rev. Walter I. Eck, pastor.

During the biennium the Synod has been strengthened by the addition of two congregations, namely, Zion's Evangelical Lutheran, of Lagrande, Oregon, and "Church of the Redeemer," Vancouver, B. C. The latest annual report, at the close of 12 years, shows the following statistics: Pastors, 19; congregations, 20; communicant members reported, 1,415; Sunday-school pupils, 1,100; property valuation, $234,250.

The Pacific Theological Seminary, established and maintained by the Synod has finished the third year of its history, very successfully. The site offered for a Seminary location by an individual in Portland did not materialize. In 1912, the Rev. Emil Meyer, of San José, Cal., purchased a two-story residence property in the Mt. Tabor district of Portland, turning it over to the Seminary Board to be used for Seminary purposes,

free of rental. It was used for a Dormitory for the students and for lecture rooms. At the recent convention of the Synod the matter of deciding on a permanent location for the Seminary was considered. In view of the fact that it seemed to be the consensus of opinion, on the part of the General Council Home Misson Board, that for the future development of mission work on the North Pacific Coast, Seattle would be a better permanent location for the Seminary, Synod by a unanimous vote, decided to remove the Seminary to Seattle, the change to be made when a suitable site and building are secured. The Synod has nobly supported the Seminary work, even though each congregation has heavy local expenses and obligations.

The Woman's Synodical Missionary Society is becoming a more active organization, three new Societies being added to membership at the last convention held in Vancouver, Wash., June 26-27, 1913.

The Rev. C. F. W. Stoever, of Tacoma, Wash., is the President of the English Conference, which meets annually in the Fall. The Rev. Father C. F. Boehner, of Camas, Wash., is the President of the German Conference.

The officers of the Synod are: The Rev. Merrell E. Boulton, The Dallas, Ore., President; the Rev. Emil Meyer, San José, Cal., Secretary; the Rev. Franklin W. Bussard, Bellingham, Wash, Statistician, and Mr. F. H. Pageler, Portland, Oregon, Treasurer.

MERRELL E. BOULTON, *President.*

XI.—The Synod of New York and New England

The New York and New England Synod held its 1912 Convention in St. Mark's Church, Boston, Mass., Rev. Edwin Lunn Miller, pastor. The action of this Convention, which may be of interest, is the following:

Congregations enrolled, 67; pastors, 60.

Steps were taken to promote more efficient cooperation with the General Council's Home Mission Board.

The Synod approved of the forward movement of the Women's Mission Societies.

A Standing Committee is striving to procure young men for the Holy Ministry.

The Synod resolved to place a Students' Pastor in charge of special work at Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Cornell and Syracuse Universities.

The campaign to raise a $100,000.00 Jubilee Fund by 1917 was abandoned to make way for the General Council million dollar project. $20,000.00 had already been gathered.

A graduate professorship was instituted at the Mt. Airy Theological Seminary through the munificence of the Hon. Charles A. Schieren, of Brooklyn, N. Y. This Synod is accorded the right to nominate the incumbent. The Synod finds difficulty in raising the entire amount of its Home Mission apportionment.

Receipts for the year were $22,082.28; expenditures, $19,533.13. Excess of income over previous year, $702.80.

The Convention of 1913 was held in the Church of the Redeemer, Kingston, N. Y., the Rev. Howard E. Snyder, pastor. The following items should be noted:

The Synod appointed a Jubilee Fund Committee to cooperate with the General Council's Committee in promoting the Two Million Dollar Fund campaign.

The Students' Pastor reported marked progress in his efforts to minister to Lutheran students at the universities in New York and New England.

The Synod resolved to pay an annual contribution into the current expense fund of the Mt. Airy Seminary.

The Synod very materially increased its fund to aid young men who have the sacred Ministry in view. Seven students are now enrolled.

The Students' Aid Committee was instructed to assist the Ministerial students in the upper classes at college in the selection of their elective studies.

Foreign Mission interests are well cared for in the Synod. Three congregations support their own missionaries in India; the Eastern Conference one; the Luther Leagues of Buffalo one.

The Half Million Dollar Educational Fund was approved.

The parishes reported the erection of several new churches, and others projected.

The mission congregations were materially strengthened during the year.

A determined effort is being made to increase the salaries of the pastors. Success is confidently expected.

Receipts for the year amounted to $24,518.68; expenditures, $19,759.02. Income over previous year, $2,436.40.

Our pastors in Buffalo and New York City are associated with those of other Synods in the vigorous prosecution of Inner Mission Work.

The members of this Synod fully recognize the heavy responsibility which the delivering of Christ's message to some of the greatest cities on the American Continent lays upon them. Meagre are the means and sparing indeed seem to be the efforts which we now expend in the discharge of this tremendous obligation. May the Great Householder find more efficient servants to do His bidding.

EDWIN F. KEEVER, *President.*

XII. The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nova Scotia

During the past biennium the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nova Scotia has held two conventions, the Tenth, June 28-30, 1912, in St. Paul's Church, Bridgewater, N. S., the Rev. W. E. Buchholtz, pastor, and the Eleventh, June 19-21, 1913, in St. Mark's Church, Middle La Have, N. S., the Rev. H. J. Behrens, pastor.

At its latest convention the Synod celebrated the first decennium of its history. An appropriate historical address was delivered on Sunday afternoon following the convention by Pastor W. M. Weaver, who, together with President Little, has been a member of the Synod from its beginning. The eleventh annual report shows the following statistics: Pastors, 8; congregations, 27; confirmed members, 2,804; infant baptisms, 266; confirmations, 185; Sunday-school scholars, 1,450.

During the biennium pleasing progress has been made along various lines. The confirmed membership has been increased by 360; the number of Sunday-school scholars by 334; the number of congregations by 1; the number of parsonages by 1. In addition to this, three out of our four mission parishes have become self-sustaining; four parishes have made increases in pastor's salary ranging from $100 to $250; and debts on almost all the church and parsonage properties have been cancelled. But, perhaps, the most noteworthy mark of progress has been in the matter of benevolences. The report for this year shows a gain over the last year of the previous biennium of $1,173.28.

Ten Women's Missionary Societies were organized in as many congregations during the past two years, and, at the 1912 convention of Synod, formed themselves into a Synodical Society. This Society now has a membership of 273, and is doing aggressive work. At the same convention of Synod one young man was ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry. Two young men are being supported by the Synod in their preparation for the Gospel Ministry. A third young man in college with the ministry in view is independent of Synodical aid.

The Bethany Orphans' Home has received more generous support than ever before. It has cared for 16 children during the past year, and has had one of the best years of its history.

Synod's official organ, *"The Nova Scotia Lutheran,"* has added in the neighborhood of 200 subscribers to its subscription list during the biennium. The Rev. H. J. Behrens, the editor during this period, presented his resignation at the late convention of Synod, and the Rev. C. H. Little was elected as his successor.

One of the most important actions taken at the last meeting of Synod was the adoption of the General Council Plan for the Unification of Home Missions, and the urging of the General Council Board to begin work in the city of Halifax, N. S., at the earliest possible moment. The President of Synod was elected as Synod's representative on the Board of English Home Missions.

The officers of the Synod are: President, the Rev. C. H. Little, Bridgewater; Secretary, the Rev. J. F. Bermon, Mahone Bay; Treasurer, the Rev. W. E. Buchholtz, Bridgewater.

C. H. Little, *President.*

XIII. The Synod of Central Canada

Two meetings of Synod have been held since the last Convention of the General Council; one at Williamsburg, Ont., the Rev. C. A. Dennig, pastor, May 26-29, 1912; the other in Holy Trinity, Humberstone, Ont., the Rev. W. H. Knauff, pastor, May 26-29, 1913.

The statistics are as follows: Pastors, 13; Congregations, 15; Sunday-school Officers and Teachers, 146; Scholars, 1,009; Value of Property, $158,200.00; Contributions for Current Expenses (2 years) $47,453.08; for Benevolence (2 years) $4,096.58.

One new congregation, the First English Ev. Lutheran Church, Berlin, has been added.

In co-operation with the German Canada Synod a Theological Seminary has been established at Waterloo, Ont. The institution has one professor and four teachers and ten students. Steps have also been taken to establish a Lutheran Hospice in the City of Montreal. It is hoped that this institution will be opened in the near future.

Under the direction of the General Council Home Mission Board, Synod contemplates undertaking work in New Ontario, which has been opened for settlers, and which, besides its enormous mineral wealth, has an area of good farming land of 200,000,000 acres.

A Student Aid Fund has been begun and we are looking forward to a larger Educational propaganda which will aid in securing more men for the Gospel Ministry.

The present officers are the Rev. J. Maurer, President, Unionville, Ont.; the Rev. J. J. Clemens, Ottawa, Secretary; and Mr. C. H. Fierheller, Toronto, Treasurer. The next meeting of Synod, July 1, 1914; place, Montreal.

J. MAURER, *President.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES AND ABSTRACTS

Your committee beg leave to report that they have found the following items and recommendations in the minutes of the several synods.

Two regular meetings were held by all the synods during the biennium at which routine business was transacted and many important and far-reaching special matters were decided upon.

I. BENEVOLENCE

a. Special funds for Educational purposes were raised or plans for raising the same inaugurated:

$500,000 fund by the Ministerium of Penna., etc., for the Seminary at Philadelphia, Pa., and Muhlenberg College at Allentown, Pa.

$100,000 for Thiel College by the Pittsburgh Synod.

$25,000 for Wagner College by the Ministerium of New York.

$10,000 for Weidner Institute by the Chicago Synod and other synods.

b. For Ministerial Relief:

$11,000 by the Synod of the Northwest; $12,500 by the Canada Synod; $17,000 for Ministers' and Widows' Fund by the New York Ministerium.

c. The Major Artman legacy of $200,000 includes $50,000 for the Philadelphia Theological Seminary, and $100,000 for the establishment of the Artman Home for Lutherans.

The Lutheran Home for the Aged at Erie, Pa., received a bequest of $10,000 from the estate of Mr. A. F. Dobbler.

II. EDUCATIONAL

a. The Augustana Synod has established the eleventh institution of learning. Its great educational work and the results secured in keeping its young people in the church by this means, should be an incentive to every other Synod of the General Council to increase the number of educational institutions under church control.

b. The Canada Synods have established a Theological Seminary at Waterloo, Canada, with ten students.

c. The Manitoba Synod has begun a college at Edmonton, Alberta, with five students.

d. The Slav Mission Board has begun an important work for the education of Slav students, viz., a Slav department in the Preparatory School of Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa.

An increased number of students in our Theological Seminaries is a matter for rejoicing. The importance of securing young men for this great need of the Church is emphasized by several of the synods by means of standing committees to press this matter and secure men.

The Pittsburgh Synod instructed its delegates to the General Council "To request the Board of Education to provide adequate literature for our young people so as to induce them to give themselves for the ministry of the Word and the works of mercy."

The Synod of New York and New England has placed a Student's Pastor in charge of special work at Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Cornell, and Syracuse Universities.

III. MISSIONARY

a. *Foreign.* The Augustana Synod reports an increase of interest in the Foreign Mission work. Five men and four women have been sent to foreign fields during the past two years.

Three congregations in the New York and New England Synod, viz., Trinity, Buffalo, Church of the Reformation, Rochester, and Church of the Advent, N. Y., support their own missionaries in India.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Eastern Conference of the N. Y. and N. E. Synod supports one, St. John's, of Allentown, Pa., one. The German and English General Council Luther League, of Buffalo, support one. The Missionary Society of the Pittsburgh Synod has undertaken the support of one.

The Chicago Synod has shown its missionary earnestness by making a per capita apportionment of $1.60.

The increased study of the mission topics is disseminating much knowledge of the needs of the heathen world and the intimate relation that exists between that need and the responsibility of the home Church to these other sheep whom Christ must bring.

b. *Home.* The Pittsburgh Synod and the Nova Scotia Synod have adopted the approved plan, thus placing all the English Home Mission work of the Council under one Board.

c. *Inner.* The Canada Synods have taken steps to establish an Immigrant Home at Montreal in which they invite the hearty cooperation of the entire General Council.

The New York and New England Synod has established a Hospital and a Hospice in the City of New York.

The Lutherans of Buffalo, N. Y., have taken preliminary steps for the erection of a Home for Working Girls in Buffalo, N. Y.

d. *Women's Federation.* Women's Synodical Missionary Societies have been organized in a majority of the synods, and through the organization of the Women's Missionary Federation of the General Council, such a comprehensive, educational and missionary propaganda has been developed in the congregations, the synods, and the General Council as merits the high appreciation and the hearty cooperation of the pastors and synods of this body.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

a. *Laymen's Efforts.* The laymen of the New York Ministerium have raised the money for the completion of the endowment of their Professorship at the Philadelphia Seminary and the erection of a home for the Professor who is already in the house on the Seminary grounds.

The laymen of the Pittsburgh Synod have resolved to raise $25,000 to meet the educational, missionary and increasing financial obligations of synod.

b. *Pastors' Salaries.* The Synod of the Northwest has made the attempt to fix the minimum salary of its pastors at $1,500 a year.

c. *Apportionments.* The Pittsburgh Synod resolved, "That we approve the apportionments made by the General Council to our synod, with the understanding that these apportionments made for the support of our several Boards are to be construed as standards for giving and not as binding obligations."

d. The Pittsburgh Synod has changed its constitution and practice by the election of a President for a period of five years, who is to give his entire time and energy to the planning, building up, and extension of the kingdom.

e. *Church Edifices.* The Ministerium of Pennsylvania requests the General Council to appoint a Committee on Church Architecture to act in an advisory capacity with congregations in the erection and remodeling of church edifices, so that due regard to the requirements of Lutheran liturgical worship may be observed.

f. The disastrous flood of March, 1913, called forth the benevolence of the entire Church through liberal contributions toward the restoration of church buildings and for the relief of those who were in distress, especially in the District Synod of Ohio, within whose bounds the greatest suffering prevailed.

W. M. Rehrig, *Chairman.*
Robert D. Roeder, *Secretary.*

The report was adopted as a whole.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a Committee on Church Architecture be appointed, to report at the next Convention.

(See List of Committees.)

The Secretaries submitted in print the

REPORT OF THE TREASURER TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL

Charles A. Smith, Treasurer, in account with the General Expense Fund of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, since 1911 Audit.

Debit

Balance at last audit, 1911				$2,449 11
Oct.	21, 1912.	Ministerium of Pennsylvania*	$ 700 00	
May	7, 1913.		700 00	
				1,400 00
Oct.	30, 1912.	Ministerium of New York*	100 00	
April	28, 1913.		150 00	
Aug.	8, 1913.		250 00	
				500 00
		No remittance. Pittsburgh Synod†		
Nov.	6, 1912.	District Synod of Ohio*	130 00	
July	29, 1913.		130 00	
				260 00
Oct.	28, 1912.	Augustana Synod*	19 92	
Feb.	3, 1913.		630 08	
July	31, 1913.		650 00	
				1,300 00
Oct.	28, 1912.	Synod of Canada*	40 00	
July	30, 1913.		40 00	
				80 00
Aug.	30, 1911.	Chicago Synod*	150 00	
Feb.	14, 1913.		50 00	
Aug.	4. 1913.		150 00	
				350 00
June	1, 1912.‡	English Synod of the Northwest	100 00	100 00
May	16, 1913.**		100 00	100 00

Dec. 7, 1911.	Manitoba Synod*	30 00	
March 11, 1913.		20 00	
July 31, 1913.		20 25	
			70 25
Oct. 28, 1912.	Pacific Synod**	20 00	
			20 00
Sept. 27, 1911.	New York & New England Synod*	115 00	
Oct. 13, 1911.		115 00	
May 3, 1912.		1 00	
Nov. 6, 1912.		230 00	
June 20, 1913.		230 00	
			691 00
March 1, 1913.	Nova Scotia Synod**	10 00	
Aug. 18, 1913		10 00	
			20 00
May 13, 1912.	Synod of Central Canada	2 00	
April 7, 1913.		2 00	
			4 00
Dec. 27, 1911.	Interest on Book Account, Sept. 15, 1911, to Dec. 31, 1911	$ 39 81	
Dec. 30, 1912.	Interest on Book Account, Dec. 31, 1911, to Dec. 31, 1912	135 10	
Aug. 8, 1913.	Interest on Book Account, Dec. 31, 1912, to Aug. 11, 1913	129 00	
			303 91
	Total Debits		$7,648 27

RECAPITULATION OF DISBURSEMENTS

Expense of Delegates to other Bodies	$ 185 90
Expense of Representatives on Special Occasions	206 45
Expense of Delegates to General Council	184 87
Printing and General Expense	1,788 49
President's Account	9 53
Secretary's Account	140 00
Arbitration Commission	403 38
Board of Education	437 10
Inner Mission Committee	34 37
Total Disbursements	$3,390 09
Balance on Hand Last Report	2,449 11
Total Receipts for Biennium	5,199 16
	7,648 27
Total Disbursements	3,390 09
Balance on Hand	$4,258 18

Apportionment—*All. †None. ‡Balance old. **One-half new.

Date.	Order No.	Expense Delegates to Other Bodies.	Representatives on Special Occasions.	Expense Delegates to General Council.	Printing and General Expense.	President's Account.	Secretary's Account.	Arbitration Committee.	Board of Education.	Inner Mission Committee.
1911:										
Sept. 4, Dr. W. K. Frick, Secretary	1						$ 20.00			
Nov. 1, Dr. W. K. Frick, Secretary	2						20.00			
" 1, Rev. M. E. Boulton	3			$ 55.00						
" 6, Rev. E. F. Keever	4							$ 20.00		
" 8, Dr. T. E. Schmauk	5		$ 4.50			$ 9.53				
" 8, Dr. G. W. Sandt	6		201.95							
" 18, J. Harry Upp	7							12.50		
Sue B. Fritz	8							10.00		
Dr. S. G. Weiskotten,	9							19.00		
Rev. H. A. Weller	10							9.68		
" 20, Rev. N. R. Melhorn	11							15.21		
" 20, Rev. A. Steimle	12							57.00		
" 24, Prof. O. F. H. Bert	13							13.40		
Prof. C. W. Foss	14							33.00		
Dr. L. G. Abrahamson	15							33.00		
Rev. W. D. C. Keiter	16							18.40		
Dr. G. A. Benze	17							5.80		
Dec. 18, Rev. Dr. G. C. Berkemeier,(Advanced to E. Knappe	18			25.00						
Rev. E. Knappe Bal. Exp	19			88.67						
Rev. W. M. Weaver	20			16.20						
Dr. R. F. Weidner	21								$ 25.00	
Rev. H. D. Spaeth	22								7.50	
Dr. C. T. Benze	23								3.40	
Dr. G. A. Andreen	24								24.00	
Dr. F. Jacobson	25								15.50	
Dr. J. A. W. Haas	26								16.72	
Dr. F. A. Kaehler	27								10.80	
Dr. C. M. Jacobs	28								16.72	
Rev. J. W. Horine	29								12.00	
Rev. W. A. Beates	30								8.30	
Dr. G. C. Gongaware	31								5.00	
1912.										
June 17, Dr. W. K. Frick	32						25.00			
Sept. 23, Augustana Book Concern	33				219.22					
Nov. 26, Rev. H. A. Weller	34							144.14		
" 29, Dr. G. J. Gongaware	35							12.25		
Dec. 16, Rev. J. W. Horine	36								292.16	
1913.										
Jan. 10, Dr. J. C. Seegers	37	40.00								
June 13, Dr. G. W. Sandt	38	48.90								
" 17, Dr. G. W. Sandt	39									$ 34.37
" 23, Board of Publication	40				1,569.27					
July 9, Dr. E. T. Horn	41	57.00								
" 16, Dr. W. K. Frick	42						75.00			
" 22, Dr. G. H. Gerberding	43	40.00								
Totals		$ 185.90	$ 206.45	$184.87	$ 1,788.49	$ 9.53	$ 140.00	$ 403.38	$ 437.10	$ 34.37

The report was accepted, and referred to an Auditing Committee, Messrs. F. P. D. Miller, O. C. Rohde, J. Gear and J. B. Franke, which reported at the Fourth Session as follows:

We, the undersigned, the committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the General Council, beg leave to report that we have carefully examined the same, and find them in fine order and correct.

F. P. D. MILLER, O. C. ROHDE,
September 12, 1913. JAMES GEAR, J. B. FRANKE.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

The Trustees of the General Council would respectfully report:

Since the last convention of the General Council, the Trustees have met twice, at which meetings the following items of business were transacted:

Organization was effected by the election of Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., President; Rev. Samuel Laird D.D., Vice President; Hon. Wm. H. Staake, Treasurer; and E. Augustus Miller, Secretary.

At the request of the Foreign Mission Board and in compliance with the action of the General Council at its meeting in 1911 (Min. pp. 28 and 29), the Trustees adopted resolutions authorizing and directing its officers to grant, convey, and assign all the property held by this corporation for the use of the Foreign Mission Board to that Board.

This transfer has not yet been effected, owing to certain legal questions involved, but our hope and expectation is that this transfer can be soon made.

At the request of the Foreign Mission Board a Letter of Attorney was given to Rev. Ernest Neudoerffer to act for the Trustees in representing the corporation in India.

The Treasurer's report was examined and vouched by the Secretary as a Committee of the Trustees.

We regret to report that the Charter of the Trustees has not yet been amended whereby the terms of office of the Trustees may be co-extensive and expire with the meetings of the General Council. As the terms of all the Trustees expire at this meeting, nine trustees should be elected, and in the expectation that prior to the next regular convention of the General Council the Charter will be amended, the nine should be elected for a term of two years. The following are those whose terms of office expire:

Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D.
Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D.
Rev. E. E. Sibole, D.D.
Rev. Henry Offermann, D.D.
Hon. Wm. H. Staake.
Mr. Wm. F. Monroe.
Samuel P. Sadtler, Ph.D., LL.D.
Mr. Wm. H. Hager.
E. Augustus Miller.

Respectfully submitted,

August 29, 1913. E. AUG. MILLER, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

William H. Staake in account with Trustees of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America of the following accounts:

SEMINARY BUILDING FUND

Balance at audit, 1911		$ 595 61
Interest from bank		21 00
		$ 616 61

1913. *Cr.*

	By cash	.....	
Aug. 18.	Balance on hand	$ 616 61	
			$ 616 61

(This fund consists of moneys contributed for erection of a Seminary Building at Rajahmundry, India, title to which is to be held by the Trustees.)

B. W. SCHMAUK LEGACY ACCOUNT

Two years' interest on $500 E. & P. 4s due Oct. 1, 1911, April 1 and Oct. 1, 1912, and April 1, 1913, at $10.00 each	$ 40 00

1913. *Cr.*

	W. A. Rafferty, professional services typewriting accounts, etc.	$ 1 00
Aug. 18.	Balance on hand	39 00
		$ 40 00

(The principal, $498.13 on hand of this fund, originally $500 less expenditures $1.87, was received Sept. 11, 1899, and "is to be invested by Board and interest to be used by it in its work at its discretion." Principal is invested in $500 E. & P. 4s.)

UNKNOWN DONOR ACCOUNT

Dr.

Two years' interest on $2,000 E. & P. 4s due Oct. 1, 1911, April 1 and Oct. 1, 1912, and April 1, 1913, at $40.00 each	$ 160 00

1913. *Cr.*

Aug. 18.	W. A. Rafferty, professional services typewriting accounts, etc.	$ 2 00
Aug. 18.	Balance on hand	158 00
		$ 160 00

(The principal of this fund, $2,000, was received from "Person who desires name to be withheld," is devoted to the cause of Foreign Missions. Principal of $2,000 is invested in E. & P. 4s.)

J. GEORGE WAGNER FUND

Dr.

	Balance audit, 1911		$ 1,000 00
	Interest from Bank		43 00
			$ 1,043 00

Cr.

1913.			
Aug. 18.	By cash	.....	
Aug. 18.	Balance	$ 1,043 00	
			$ 1,043 00

(The Treasurer received on Feb. 13, 1893, from G. W. Voshall $1,500, to be expended by Trustees for Foreign Missions. This principal of $1,500 was reduced to $1,000 by payments on Feb. 1, 1894, to Rev. J. J. Kuendig, Treasurer German Home Mission Board.)

1913. ESTATE OF SARAH HARWICK, DECEASED

	Balance audit, 1911		$ 457 66
Aug. 18.	Interest from Bank		22 00
			$ 479 66

Cr.

	By cash	.....	
Aug. 18.	Balance on hand	$ 479 66	
			$ 479 66

MARY A. RATZEL FUND

	Balance audit, 1911 (Part of principal of $2,135)....		$ 335 00
1911.			
Oct. 28.	Six months' mortgage interest due Oct. 30, 1911....		48 60
1912.			
Apr. 9.	Mortgage interest to date (Principal of mortgage, $1,800, paid off)		36 95
	Interest from Bank		48 61
			$ 469 16

Cr.

	W. A. Rafferty, professional services typewriting accounts, etc.		$ 2 00
	Balance on hand		467 16
			$ 469 16

(The principal of this fund, $2,135, is made up of amount received from Mary A. Ratzel, and is represented by cash on hand, the bond and mortgage of $1,800, in which part of principal was invested having been paid off on April 9, 1912, as above stated. Income of this fund is devoted to Foreign Missions.)

KONGO MISSION

Dr.

Balance audit, 1911		$ 3 70
(Received Feb. 11, 1885, from Rev. C. G. Fischer for Lutheran Kongo Mission.)		

Cr.

By cash	.....	
Balance on hand	$ 3 70	
		$ 3 70

ESTATE OF MATILDA C. HOUSER, DECEASED

1913. *Dr.*

July 8. To cash, received from E. Augustus Miller, for Executor of Estate ..... $ 2,445 91

No credits.

I hereby certify that I have examined and vouched the above account, and the securities and bank balances and find the same correct.

Aug. 20, 1913. E. AUG. MILLER, *Auditor.*

These two reports were adopted.

The President appointed the following

Committee to Nominate Trustees.—The Revs. E. F. Ritter, J. F. Lambert and Dr. G. A. Benze, Prof. C. W. Foss and Mr. J. M. Snyder.

On their report the following were elected:

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

REV. THEODORE E. SCHMAUK, D.D., LL.D.	HON. WM. H. STAAKE.
REV. EDWARD E. SIBOLE, D.D.	E. AUGUSTUS MILLER, ESQ.
REV. PROF. HENRY OFFERMANN, D.D.	MR. WILLIAM F. MONROE.
REV. JOHN H. WAIDELICH.	PROF. SAMUEL P. SADTLER, PH.D., LL.D.
	MR. WILLIAM H. HAGER.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Kunzmann, it was

Resolved, That a Special Committee be appointed, consisting of at least one member of the Synods represented, to report on the memorial of the Chicago Synod with reference to making the Church Extension Society an integral part of the General Council.

Committee on Examining Church Extension Society's Charter.—The Revs. N. R. Melhorn, J. A. Weyl, G. F. Gehr, Dr. G. W. Mechling, B. F. Hoefer, Dr. G. A. Brandelle, F. Veit, M. J. Bieber, Dr. A. F. Elmquist, M. E. Boulton, Dr. J. C. Kunzmann, John M. Dettra, Esq., and Paul R. Brown, Esq.

The Rev. Dr. Belfour presented the

REPORT OF THE PORTO RICO MISSION BOARD

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

Our opening statement is peculiarly painful, namely, that two members of the Board have passed from this life since the last meeting of this Council. The first of these was the Rev Wm. J. Miller, D.D., pastor of Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Greensburg, Pa., at the age of 56 years, in the full vigor of his manhood and useful work, honored and lamented by his congregation and many friends. The other was the Rev. J. L. Smith, D.D., at the ripe age of 77 years. He was the Secretary of the Board from the time of its appointment and was always prompt in attending to the duties of the office. Both were active and prominent in the Pittsburgh Synod and will be missed in its work. The Revs. F. C. Oberly and B. F. Hankey were appointed to fill their places, the latter as Secretary.

The past two years have left an important record of faithful labors amidst perplexing difficulties and hindrances, and also of favorable and promising results, as the Rev. Ostrom states in detail in his very full report. There was more than the usual amount of sickness among our missionaries and their helpers. Whilst the climate is very delightful, it is very trying to people not to the manor born. And, in all ordinary cases, the best remedy is a sojourn of a couple of months in the States. And this opportunity has been afforded our missionaries, when needed, in addition to their regular vacations. This is a necessity in their case.

The number and the names of the American and native workers are given in the Rev. Ostrom's report and need not to be repeated here. But a special item should be named and emphasized. We need an additional ordained minister for the English work, in order that the Revs. Ostrom and Anderson may give their time chiefly to the Spanish, and the English may be fully cared for. And the ideal arrangement would be to appoint a man fully competent in English and in high German, for there are in San Juan about 200 Germans, nearly all direct from Germany, for whose religious welfare there is no provision. We ask the help of the brethren of the General Council to secure the services of such a man.

All the public services, on Sundays and week-days, are very well attended, as are also the Sunday-schools. And the Parochial School is a great success and an important feature in the mission, in the care of Miss May Mellander, a trained teacher from the States, assisted by Mrs. Dolores A. de Martinez and Matilde Llanes, a pupil assistant. The school opened last spring with 87 pupils, and many were refused admission for want of room. And the Board has authorized Miss Mellander to take three young girls into training to become teachers.

And the Revs. Ostrom and Anderson give systematic instruction to mature men to fit them for effective missionary work.

The following are the principal statistics of the Mission:

Number of Congregations	9
Number of Mission Stations	6
Number of Communicants	423
Number of Sunday-schools	14
Number of Luther Leagues	3
Number of Parochial Schools	2
Seminary	1
Number of American Missionaries	5
Number of Native Workers	7
Contributions to the Porto Rico Mission Board	$ 610 03
Offerings to the Foreign Mission	$ 66 22
Total Contributions	$1,154 48

A case of great interest has arisen, namely, that a young man, formerly a priest in the Roman Catholic Church, has become connected with our mission. Particulars are given by Rev. Ostrom. But we may note here that he has studied our Catechisms and Confessions in the Latin, was confirmed by Rev. Ostrom, who has the fullest confidence in him, and we believe that he will become very useful in our work. And the Board has arranged to place and support him in Mt. Airy Seminary for one year for obvious reasons. Formal application has been made for his admission in September. May God lead him in a pure and noble life. Native pastors in Mission churches are the Apostolic and normal order.

The acquisition of property for the mission in Porto Rico has been a slow process, but special difficulty met us in the capital city. Desirable property for the purpose was scarce and the price beyond our reach. But about a year ago, when the Rev. Hemsath was on the island, a remarkable opportunity presented itself and we bought a large lot fronting on three streets, in a handsome neighborhood in a section of the city known as "Miramar," at the very low price of $3,500.00. And plans for a good church are now under examination and we expect to let the contract in the near future. And we feel that we must, at the same time, build a parsonage, something long past due to our senior missionary and his wife. And we ask for liberal gifts for this building enterprise.

A very beautiful chapel was built last year in Monacillo under the direction of the Rev. C. H. Hemsath, Field Secretary.

The following is a list of our properties and an estimate of their values:

San Juan, "Miramar" lot	$ 4,000 00
Bayamon, lot	2,000 00
Catano, Church, School House, Cottage, 2 lots	5,700 00
Camerio Street, Bayamon, Wooden Chapel, lot	1,200 00
Monacillo, Chapel, Cottage, half-acre lot	4,200 00
Palo Seco, lot	200 00
Dorado, lot	200 00
Total	$17,500 00

The two Field Secretaries: In the early part of the present year, the Committee of the Ministerium of Pa., charged with work of collecting an educational fund of $500,000, appealed to our Board to let the Rev. C. H. Hemsath enter their service for a limited time, to aid in effort to secure that amount, The request came at an unfortunate time for us, as we then had special need of the Secretary's best efforts for the Mission. But we yielded to the request, influenced by the very great importance to the whole Church of the heavy undertaking of the Ministerium.

The Rev. J. Telleen, D.D., began his work as Western Field Secretary in May, 1912, and continued in that position until last July, when a change became necessary, as the Augustana Synod had made a change in financial policy, which ruled out all direct solicitations and collections in the congregations. He has taken charge of a Mission of that Synod in California, but will render the Board some service in correspondence and distribution of literature.

The Rev. A. Ostrom's Biennial Report is here presented.

Biennial Report to the Board, July 1, 1911, to July 1, 1913

To the Porto Rico Mission Board, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Complying with the Secretary's request for a brief statement of the status of our mission and the work done during the past two years, it gives me much pleasure to present the following biennial report, based on the quarterly reports to the Board.

The Missionary Force

1. American Missionaries

The five American missionaries are the same as two years ago, namely, Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Ostrom, 38 Rafael Cordero (Luna) street, San Juan, Rev. and Mrs. A. P. G. Anderson, Vista Hermosa, Bayamon, and Miss May C. Mellander, 63 Carretera, Catano.

Having recovered sufficiently from a severe attack of typhoid fever to leave the Presbyterian Hospital in Santurce, Rev. Anderson with his wife left for the States July 9, 1911, and returned to his field of labor Nov. 2, same year. Owing to the illness of Mrs. Anderson and also to that of his parents, Rev. Anderson and his wife were granted a leave of absence for two months this spring, sailing April 30th and returning June 25th. To Rev. and Mrs. Anderson a baby boy was born June 13, 1911, who at his baptism, Aug. 4th, received the name of Paul Zenas.

On July 5th, 1911, Miss May C. Mellander went north on her regular furlough. Owing to a general breakdown her furlough was extended. In the fall she spent some weeks at the Mary Drexel Home, Philadelphia, studying Kindergarten methods She returned to the Island Jan. 25, 1912. The senior missionary was called home on account of the death of his father, Henry Ostrom, at Lockport, Ill., March 24th last year. He was absent from the Island from April 20th to June 27th.

II. NATIVE MISSIONARIES

Three native workers, whose names appeared in the last biennial report, are not now in the service.

Alfred Cosme Mercado re-enlisted in the Porto Rico Regiment during the summer of 1911, and Lorenzo Hurtado was dismissed from service July 20, 1911.

It is with deep regret we must chronicle the death of one of our most faithful and efficient workers. Pascual Lopez was born Oct. 23, 1882. He was one of the first members of the congregation in Bayamon. He entered the missionary force Feb. 15, 1909, but after only two weeks' time, he began to complain of weak lungs. He was immediately taken to the Anti-Tuberculosis Hospital in Santurce, where he remained till May 1, 1910. Being again stationed at Monacillo he continued faithfully to preach, visit, and instruct children in Sunday and Parochial Schools, and also for a time adults in the evenings, till Aug. 15, 1912, when he was again taken to the same hospital, where he lingered till Jan. 25th of the present year. On the following day the two ordained missionaries held funeral services at his grave. His records up to Aug. 15, 1912, for the biennium show 2,146 visits, 154 services, 55 Sunday-school sessions, and up to July 1, 1912, 185 half-days school for children.

The following workers are very active and whole-souled in their work, the best corps of helpers that we have had, and all will compare favorably with any workers in any other denomination on the Island.

1. *Juan Zambrana,* entering the service Feb. 1, 1911, was placed in charge of the mission stations Palo Seco and La Palma. Oct. 1, 1912, he was transferred to Dorado to continue the work there and take up work in the neighboring barrios. He has made 6,517 visits and conducted 333 services and 194 Sunday-school sessions.

2. *Guillermo Marrero* was engaged March 1, 1911, and placed in charge of the Comerio Street mission in Bayamon, where he labored till July 24, 1911, when he was transferred to the congregations in Toa Baja and Dorado. When Zambrana came to Dorado, Marrero took up work in Campanilla. His records show 4,340 visits, 327 services, 168 Sunday-school sessions. He has been ably assisted by his wife, Leandra Ortiz, who has made 4,611 visits.

3. *Demetrio Texidor* first entered the service June 1, 1908, but much to our regret left the work Jan. 15, 1911. He, however, kindly volunteered his services temporarily from May 1, 1911, till the end of the year, taking charge of the Bayamon congregation during Rev. Anderson's illness and absence. On Jan. 1, 1912, he became again a regular worker and was placed in charge of the Comerio Street Mission in Bayamon. Since that time he reports 1,949 visits, 149 services, 61 Sunday-school sessions and 51 Luther League meetings. In the Seminary he instructed in Spanish Grammar and Geography.

4. *German Vazquez,* a member of the Bayamon congregation, was called into the service Oct. 1, 1912, and was placed in charge of Palo Seco and La Palma. His record during these nine months shows 3,104 visits, 125 services and 78 Sunday-school sessions.

5. *Marciano Lopez de Alda,* an ex-priest from Colombia, South America, came to Porto Rico in April, 1912, to study Protestantism. Conscientious scruples had forced him to leave the Roman Catholic Church, as he could not accept and preach some of its doctrines. In the latter part of August he formally made a request to study the doctrines and practices of our church. He was given four months to acquaint himself with these, and if at the end of this period he could not accept the doctrines or we were not satisfied with him, all relations should close. In the meantime he was to be of such service as we would deem proper. He immediately set about studying our confessions in Latin. During September, October, and November he studied, under the direction of the senior missionary, the Augsburg Confession, the Apology, the Smalcald Articles, the Two Catechisms of Luther, Dr. Weidner's Doctrine of the Church and Doctrine of the Ministry, and portions of Dr. Jacob's Summary of Christian Faith. He became convinced that we taught the pure gospel and asked to be confirmed. His confirmation took place on the First Sunday in Advent, Dec. 1st. He was publicly asked if he renounced the errors of the Roman Catholic Church, if he accepted the Bible as the only rule of faith and life, and our Confessions, as far as he had studied them, as true statements of the Bible truth, to all of which he answered affirmatively. He was placed as assistant to the senior missionary in San Juan and Catano. Since January he has instructed in the Seminary in History of Porto Rico and Music. It is a pleasure to state that Mr. Lopez has proven himself an able and efficient preacher, that he has led a truly Christian and pious life, and that he has grown in our favor and estimation every day.

6. *Gabriela Cuervos* has been in the service since June, 1906. She has visited regularly in San Juan, Bayamon and Catano, in the latter place till March, 1912. She has assisted at all the Spanish services and Sunday-school sessions in San Juan and Bayamon. Her reports till the middle of April this year show 4,727 visits. April 26, 1913, she was married to Mr. Charles H. Marks, an Englishman. They made their home in Humacao. We shall greatly miss Gabriela in our work, as she has proven herself a faithful worker and always very loyal to her church.

7. *Dolores Quidley de Martinez* has been Miss Mellander's able assistant in the Parochial school in Catano since Sept., 1910. During the Fall of 1911, while Miss Mellander was in the States, she had full charge of the school.

Owing to Gabriela Cuervo's marriage and removal to Humacao in the latter part of last April, the following were engaged to fill the place that she had so ably occupied. *Matilde Llanes,* "pupil-assistant" in the Catano parochial school, has visited in San Juan two days a week. Having resigned, her work closed with the month of June. On Saturdays *Carmen Froilan* has temporarily had charge of visiting absent Sunday-school children in San Juan. *Genoveva Fernandez* has devoted most of her time in visiting in Bayamon and in the Comerio Street Mission.

THE FIELD

Since Jan. 1, 1912, the field has been divided into two districts: the San Juan and the Bayamon districts, Rev. Alfred Ostrom having charge of the former and Rev. A. P. G. Anderson of the latter. The San Juan district comprises San Juan (two congregations), Catano, and Palo Seco, with the adjoining barrio La Palma. To the Bayamon district belong Bayamon (two congregations), Toa Baja, with the barrio Campanilla, Dorado, with the barrios Maracayo, Saldinera, and Higuilar, and Monacillo, with the barrio Monacillo Arriba.

The mission work is twofold: evangelistic and educational.

CONGREGATIONS

The congregations in the order of organization are as follows:

1. *First English Lutheran Church, San Juan,* was organized Jan. 1, 1900, and consists entirely of English-speaking colored people from the neighboring Danish and English Islands. Services have been held regularly every Sunday evening. At times our places of worship have been too small to accommodate all the worshippers. During Lent (both years) special services have been held on Tuesday evenings. Owing to the removal of so many of our members to Puerta de Tierra and Santurce, wards of San Juan, the Woman's Society has not met with regularity on Tuesday evenings. The Sunday-school, suspended during the Summer months of 1911 because of other work, was resumed Oct. 1, 1911. The congregation has 148 communicants. The choir has sung at all the Sunday evening services. During the biennium it has rendered three cantatas: "Esther," July 18th and 30th, 1911; "The Prince of Judah," Dec. 31st, 1912, and Jan. 5th, 1913; and "The World for Christ," June 27th of this year. Other programs have also been given. The cantatas brought us an income of over $60.00.

2. *San Pablo, San Juan.* This first Spanish Lutheran congregation in Porto Rico was organized April 15, 1900, and has now 73 communicants. Services have been held Sunday mornings and Thursday evenings, and the Sunday-school on Sunday morning before the services, all the children remaining during the service.

3. *Divino Salvador, Catano,* was organized Aug. 23, 1903. At present it has 81 communicants. Services are held Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, and since the beginning of Dec. last year also on Sunday evenings. The Sunday-school is the largest in our mission and meets on Sunday afternoons. The Luther League is very active under the able leadership of Miss Mellander. The Parochial School or Kindergarten has been of great influence.

4. *Santisima Trinidad, Bayamon,* organized July 12, 1908, has had two services a week, Sunday and Wednesday evenings. The Sunday-school has met on Sunday afternoons. A Luther League was organized Feb. 16, 1912, and it has proven of great service to the young people and the church. The communicants number 38.

5. *San Pedro, Toa Baja.* This congregation was organized on St. Peter's day, June 29, 1909. Its services are held on Sunday and Tuesday evenings. Extra services have also been held. The Sunday-school meets on Sunday afternoons. The congregation has 20 communicants.

6. *Getsemani, Dorado,* was organized June 25, 1911, and has now 16 communicants. It worships on Monday evenings, and since Oct. 1, 1912, also on Sunday evenings. The Sunday-school meets on Sunday mornings.

7. *Betania, Monacillo,* organized June 30, 1911, rejoices in the erection of a beautiful chapel, completed last month. Its native worker died Jan. 25, 1913. Sunday evening and Tuesday evening services and Sunday-school were held regularly until Aug. 15, 1912. Since that time only Tuesday evening services have been held, as a rule, once every two weeks by Rev. Anderson. The communicants number 16.

During the biennium two new congregations have been added:

8. *Betesda, Palo Seco,* was organized Dec. 10, 1912, and now numbers 14 communicants. Sunday evening and Tuesday evening services have been held regularly every week, as also the Sunday-school on Sunday forenoons. Extra services have also been held. The old house on the mission property, in which services have been held, was torn down Aug. 6, 1912, by order of the Sanitation Department.

9. *Sion, Comerio Street, Bayamon,* was organized April 27th, this year. To the five confirmed were added twelve by letter from the Bayamon city congregation, making the total number of communicants 17. Services have been held regularly on Thursday evenings, and since July 1, 1912, also on Sunday evenings. A large Sunday-school meets on Sunday afternoons. An active Luther League was organized July 2, 1912. The mission has made some repairs on its chapel, painted it, and also put in a cement walk and cement steps, defraying all the expenses.

MISSION STATIONS

The following are the mission stations:

1. *La Palma,* across the Bayamon River, from Palo Seco, has had one weekday service and Sunday-school on Sunday afternoons.

2. *Monacillo Arriba* has had one service a week till Aug. 1912, when the native worker was taken to the hospital.

The following mission stations have been added since last fall:

3. *Campanilla,* a barrio of Toa Baja, was entered Sept. 6, 1912.

4. *Maracayo* had its first service Sept. 13, 1912.

5. *Saldinera* was given its first service Nov. 1, 1912, and

6. *Higuilar,* April 6, 1913.

The last three places are barrios of Dorado. The native worker of Dorado tries to give each one service a week. In Campanilla, Maracayo, and Higuilar Sunday-schools have been started.

TABLE I.

Name of Congregation.	Place.	Date of Organization.	Communicants July, 1911.	ADDITIONS.			LOSSES.			Communicants July, 1913.
				Confirmed.	Letter.	Profession.	Letter.	Died.	Dropped.	
First English Lutheran	San Juan	January 1, 1900	121	6	10	26	5	10	.....	148
San Pablo	San Juan	April 15, 1900	69	9	.....	.....	1	1	3	73
Divino Salvador	Catano	August 23, 1903	67	16	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	81
Santisima Trinidad	Bayamon	July 12, 1908	36	19	.....	.....	12	2	3	38
San Pedro	Toa Baja	June 29, 1909	4	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
Getsemani	Dorado	June 25, 1911	4	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Betania	Monacillo	June 30, 1911	10	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Betesda	Palo Seco	December 10, 1912	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14
Sion, Comerio Street	Bayamon	April 27, 1913	.....	5	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
	Total		311	103	22	26	18	15	6	423

Increase of 112 communicants during the biennium

TABLE II.

Average Attendance I. Quarter, 1913

Name of Congregation or Mission.	Sunday.	Week-day.	Sunday-school.	Luther League.	Contributions.		
					Total	To Board.	To Foreign Missions.
First English Lutheran, San Juan	86	19	33	.....	$ 568.25	$ 388.03	$ 51.88
San Pablo, San Juan	70	34	66	.....	191 26	126.00	6.68
Divino Salvador, Catano	37,53	68	102	31	173.23	72.00	4.43
Santisima Trinidad, Bayamon	35	29	50	22	78.28	24.00	1.26
San Pedro, Toa Baja	37	39	33	.....	31.49	.....	.....
Getsemani, Dorado	30	43	47	.....	10.74	.....	.....
Betania, Monacillo	.....	16	.....	.....	29.17	.....	.....
Betesda, Palo Seco	15	22	26	.....	4.85	.....	.....
Sion, Com. St., Bayamon	21	36	61	22	67.21	.....	1.97
La Palma, Palo Seco	.....	20	24	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monacillo Arriba	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Campanilla	.....	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maracayo	35	56	39	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saldinera	.....	34	34	.....	.....	.....	.....
Higuilar	.....	32	32	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total: 9 Congregations, 6 Mission Stations.	.....	.....	.....	.....	$1,154.48	$ 610.03	$ 66.22

NOTES ACCOMPANYING THE SECOND TABLE

For Monacillo Arriba the average attendance is given for the Third Quarter 1912, as no services have been held at that place since that time owing to the illness and death of the native worker at Monacillo.

For Saldinera and Higuilar the average attendance is given for the Second Quarter 1913.

Considering the great poverty prevalent among the Porto Ricans and the English-speaking colored people we consider the contributions a large amount from such poor people. The totals of contributions are for the biennium.

MINISTERIAL ACTS

There have been 86 baptisms, 33 marriages, and 35 funerals. One hundred and three have been confirmed, 22 received by letter and 26 by profession.

SERVICES, ATTENDANCE AND VISITS

There have been 861 Sunday services during the biennial, 1,051 week-day services, 1,008 Sunday-school sessions, 170 Luther League meetings; total services and Sunday-school sessions, 3,096. The total attendance at all these services amounts to 116,487. The native workers have reported 27,875 visits in all.

SEMINARY

Special attention must be given to the instruction of the native male workers for present and future efficient service. The difficulty has been in arranging for sufficient time to impart and receive instruction and at the same time take care of the respective charges. Seminary instruction has been given eighteen months of the biennium in the Church in Catano. When both the ordained missionaries have been on the field two days' instruction has been given, otherwise, only one day's instruction.

The senior missionary has taught Bible History, Bible Facts and Scenes, Life of Jesus Christ, by Stalker, and explained the Sunday texts to Juan Zambrana, Guillermo Marrero, and German Vazquez. The same have received instruction from Rev. Anderson in Catechism, Catechetics, Bible Introduction (Isagogics). Demetrio Texidor has taught Spanish Grammar and Geography, and Marciano Lopez de Alda History of Porto Rico and Music to the same workers. Under the direction of the senior missionary the advanced student, Demetrio Texidor, has taken a course in Hurst's Church History to the Reformation period; and Marciano Lopez de Alda, the ex-priest, has studied the Augsburg Confession, the Apology, the Smalcald Articles, the Two Catechisms, Dr. Weidner's two books Doctrine of the Church and Doctrine of the Ministry, and portions of Dr. Jacob's Summary of the Christian Faith.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

The Catano Parochial School, or Kindergarten, has been under the effiicient direction of Miss May C. Mellander, assisted by Mrs. Dolores Q. de Martinez. The enrollment has been as follows: Fall 1911, 39 (Mrs. Martinez being alone in charge, as Miss Mellander was in the States); spring 1912, 62; fall 1912, 60; spring 1913, 87. A large number of children

have had to be refused admittance each term because of lack of room. The children contributed voluntarily during the first school year $20.75, and during the second school year $33.20.

The courses taught have been: Bible History, Catechism, English, Spanish, Kindergarten subjects, Number Work, Nature Study, Sense Training, Moral Training, Drawing and Music.

Miss Mellander has given special instruction to Mrs. Martinez and Matilde Llanes, the latter a "pupil-assistant," in the Bible, Bible Outlines, Deaconness and Her Work (Sister Julia), Arithmetic, Geography, English, History of United States, Pedagogics, and Music. Mrs. Martinez has taught Matilda Llanes in Spanish.

In Monacillo the now deceased native worker, Pascual Lopez, taught 185 half-days school. The instruction was entirely rudimental, consisting of teaching to read, write and spell. Catechism and Bible History were also taught. Some evenings he devoted to teaching adults to read.

MONACILLO CHAPEL

Rev. Mr. Hemsath came to Porto Rico, Feb. 1, 1912, to build the chapel in Monacillo. The ground was broken March 1, 1912. When the foundations were laid, he was unexpectedly called home on account of the serious illness of his father. He left March 20th, but returned June 25th. Several obstacles presented themselves in the way owing to the existence of the bubonic plague in Porto Rico. The cornerstone was, however, laid July 30th, and the building so far completed that he could leave for the North Nov. 6th. During the spring of the present year the chapel has been completely finished by Mr. A. Lewis. The chapel is very beautiful and churchly and will ever remain a substantial and lovely memorial to the efforts and sacrifices of the women of the Augustana Synod.

PROPERTIES

We rejoice to know that a beautifully located property has at last been bought in *San Juan.* It consists of two lots, containing over 1,078 square meters, with well-paved streets on three sides. It is located in the fine residential section of San Juan, known as Miramar, overlooking the San Juan Bay and the Atlantic Ocean. It was bought Aug. 1, 1912, for $3,500 and it has already raised in value. We are still worshipping in San Juan in the front rooms of the rented second story, where the senior missionary and his wife live. This has now been the case these eight years that they have been on the island. Shall we now dare to hope that in the near future we shall have a church building and a parsonage? It rests with the General Council to decide.

A centrally located property in Bayamon, only a block from the *plaza,* with paved streets on three sides, was bought April 10, 1912. It is 79 feet by 35 feet. The Kansas Conference of the Augustana Synod is especially interested in Bayamon. It has already raised a large sum and we feel sure that soon the necessary amount will be on hand to begin operations on the needed edifice in Bayamon.

A large lot, containing over 553 square meters, was bought in Dorado,

March 26th, this year. We also cherish the hope of soon seeing a chapel built there as well as in Palo Seco, where we have a lot.

LUTHERAN CONFERENCE

The first Lutheran Conference was held in the San Pablo Church, San Juan, Jan. 22nd and 23rd, the present year. Its sessions lasted two days. It was decided to hold an annual conference every year, and bi-monthly a missionary meeting, visiting the various congregations and mission stations in order. The first mission meeting was held in Catano, March 5th and 6th. Great interest was manifested at the conference and the mission meeting, and the attendance was exceptionally good. We hope that we shall see good results from these meetings.

TWO FIELD SECRETARIES ON THE FIELD

Last year the mission was honored by the presence of the two field secretaries on the field. Rev. Hemsath came to build the Monacillo chapel, and Dr. J. Telleen to study our mission and its needs. It was during their visit that the San Juan property was located and bought. Both are now in position to speak for our interests, as they have been in real touch with our work and have seen what we are trying to do.

SPECIAL MENTION

Extensive repairs have been made on the mission cottage in Catano, by adding two rooms, and extending the porch, and making other changes and improvements demanded by the Sanitation Department.

Several Lutheran tourists visited the mission and its missionaries during the first months of this year. We were glad to see and meet with them, and they seemed happy to see us and the mission. These visitors will interest others in our mission, and we feel sure that good results will follow.

On June 18, 1912, the bubonic plague was officially declared to be existing in Porto Rico. Thanks to the Government and the Sanitation Department, it was of but short duration. The island was officially declared free from the plague Oct. 13, same year. There were only about 55 cases, of which only about 35 proved fatal.

CLOSING REMARKS

The mission work in Porto Rico is not an easy one. Much patience, love wisdom, and zeal is required of every worker, and the prayers and financial aid of our friends in the States. We need to train and educate the native workers that we have and also get new recruits for the work, in order to establish more firmly what we have and extend our Church to other places on the island. We trust the necessary funds will be at hand to guarantee the usefulness and extension of our beloved Lutheran Zion in the Island of Porto Rico.

This report is herewith very respectfully submitted.

Yours in the Lord's work,

ALFRED OSTROM, Senior Missionary.

San Juan, Porto Rico, July 7, 1913.

The foregoing certainly makes a favorable presentation of the work in our mission in Porto Rico, and gives promise of continued substantial progress in the future. But it is well to look outside our own field and note the progress of the general Protestant work, which is very encouraging. But our statement shall be brief.

When the United States took possession of Porto Rico, fourteen years ago, no Protestant Church or minister was on the island. Now there are 157 ministers, 73 religious teachers, 102 other workers, 199 congregations, 497 preaching stations, 12,529 communicants, 267 Sunday-schools with 16,815 scholars, 32 day schools with 1,819 scholars, and 151 chapels. The value of church property is $792,367; and the collections in the churches during the fourteen years amount to $22,722.

The public school system, the product of the Protestant spirit, was promptly introduced in Porto Rico and has done a great work in enlightening and educating the children. Twelve years ago there was one school house built for the purpose, and now there are 1,168. Then, out of a population of 1,000,000 there were 20,000 pupils enrolled; now there are 160,657, and the progress of the children is very good. English is taught in all the schools.

And in view of the spread of education, and of the fact that the Roman Catholic Church neglects its people outside the city, and the repeated statement that it has not a firm hold on more than ten per cent of the population the pressing necessity is seen of earnest preaching of Christ, and "the common people hear Him gladly."

For the further prosecution of this work we ask for the continuance of the apportionment of the last biennium, $16,500, and that the following apportionments be made to the several Synods:

Augustana Synod	$ 4,168 00
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	4,168 00
Pittsburgh Synod	2,000 00
Ministerium of New York	1,668 00
District Synod of Ohio	1,334 00
New York and New England Synod	1,168 00
Chicago Synod	1,000 00
English Synod of the Northwest	834 00
Pacific Synod	82 00
Nova Scotia	42 00
Synod of Central Canada	36 00
	$16,500 00

We also ask that the Advent Sundays be designated as the time for offerings for Porto Rico Mission work.

The Treasurer's Report is herewith presented.

For the Board,

EDMUND BELFOUR, *President.*

Treasurer's Report, Porto Rico Mission Board

Report of the Treasurer of the Porto Rico Mission Board from July 29, 1911, to July 10, 1913.

Receipts

Balance at last Report		$11,071 81
Rec'd for the General Fund	$20,871 16	
Rec'd for the Building Fund	3,665 83	
Rec'd for the Chapel Fund	1,525 49	
Rec'd for the Bayamon Church Fund	910 05	
Rec'd for the Pastor's Movement Fund	51 40	
Rec'd for Special purposes (Special Fund)	153 30	
		27,177 23
		$38,249 04

Disbursements

Paid for Expenses of Board:		
Salaries (Secretary of Board and Field Secretaries)	$ 4,537 50	
Miscellaneous (Including traveling expenses of Field Secretaries)	757 95	
		$ 5,295 45
Paid for Expenses of Mission:		
Salaries (Missionaries and native helpers)	$10,343 40	
Rents	2,868 50	
Miscellaneous	1,678 16	
		$14,890 06
Paid from Chapel Fund for property and buildings		2,403 95
Paid for lot at Bayamon (Bayamon Church Fund)		2,027 00
Paid for lot in San Juan (from Building Fund)		3,500 00
Paid contributions for special purposes (Special Fund)		153 30
Balance on hand		$ 9,979 28
		$38,249 04

BALANCES ON HAND

Balance in the General Fund	$ 1,126 34
Balance in the Building Fund	6,044 09
Balance in the Chapel Fund	686 50
Balance in the Bayamon Church Fund	1,457 38
Balance in the Pastor's Movement Fund	481 40
Balance in the Special Fund	183 57
Total balance	$ 9,979 28

SPECIAL FUND (Itemized)

Contribution for Orphans' Home	$ 5 00
Contribution for School at Monacillo	6 00
Contribution for lot at a mission station	112 57
Contribution for bell at Catano	5 00
Contribution for Parochial School	25 00
Contribution for Pulpit in San Juan Church	30 00
	$ 183 57

ON HAND

Two $1,000.00 bonds of the Ft. Wayne & Wabash Valley Railway Co.

RECAPITULATION

Moneys received from Synodical Treasurers.

Synod	Apportioned	Paid on App't	% Paid	Other Contributions	Total	Total Last report
Augustana	$8,336.00	$6,968.74	.836	$1,154.22	$8,122.96	$11,975.11
Min. of Pa	8,336.00	5,993.88	.719	2,408.79	8,402.67	6,799.32
Pittsburgh	4,000.00	3,102.90	.776	363.31	3,466.21	2,579.08
N. Y. & N. Eng.	2,336.00	570.39	.244	678.35	1,248.74	1,637.49
Dist. Ohio	2,668.00	842.04	.316	5.00	847.04	869.46
North West	1,668.00	767.95	.460	.....	767.95	835.38
Chicago	2,000.00	431.43	.215	4.85	436.28	409.50
Min. N. Y	3,336.00	433.65	.130	10.00	443.65	441.04
Cen. Canada	72.00	94.74	1.316	.....	94.74	129.00
Nova Scotia	84.00	88.81	1.057	.....	88.81	88.99
Pacific	164.00	.....	.000	.....	.....	.....
P. R. Missions		650.52	.....	25.73	676.25	Note
Miscellaneous		970.56	.....	1,496.96	2.581,93	2,357.42
					$27,177.23	$28,121.79

NOTE.—Previous to the meeting of the General Council in September, 1911, the missions in Porto Rico retained their offerings, applied them to the local expenses and the Board made up the deficiency. Since that meeting, both receipts and expenditures passed through the hands of the Treasurer of the Board, making the financial statement more complete and satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. W. FUHR, *Treasurer.*

PITTSBURGH, PA., July 10, 1913.

The undersigned Auditors have examined the books of Chas. W. Fuhr, Treasurer of the Porto Rico Mission Board, for the period from July 29, 1911, to July 10, 1913, and find the disbursements to have been $28,269.76, as stated above, proper vouchers having been shown for everything. The cash balance on July 10th was $9,979.28, as shown by deposit books of the Diamond National Bank, of Pittsburgh.

W. STEINMEYER,
B. F. HANKEY.

August 7, 1913.

After referring the apportionments to the Finance Committee, the Council adopted the Report as a whole, including the recommendation with reference to Advent Sunday.

In the Fourth Session the following were elected members of the

PORTO RICO MISSION BOARD

Rev. Edmund Belfour, D.D.
Rev. B. F. Hankey.
Rev. John W. Richards.
Rev. Morton Parson.
Rev. J. A. Bernard.
Mr. E. L. Atkinson.
Prof. G. A. Lundquist.
Mr. Charles W. Fuhr.
Mr. William Steinmeyer.

General Secretary Drach presented the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

INTRODUCTION

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

DEAR BRETHREN:—We herewith present to you the Report of the Board of Foreign Missions and of the Missions under its care and control. In many respects it is an unusually good and encouraging report. Our Missions in India and Japan have prospered and grown during the past two years. Our missionaries have labored zealously, joyfully, harmoniously and successfully. Never before have we reported so large a gain in the membership of our Telugu Mission. Our work in Japan, now that co-operation with the other Lutheran Missions in that empire in educational as well as evangelistic work is assured, promises to develop more rapidly in the near future. The Church at home has shown a marked and gratifying interest in the work abroad as indicated by the larger amount of contributions received. The Board rejoices in the confidence of the missionaries who are in its service and of the Church to which it is responsible. It acknowledges with sincere gratitude the goodness and blessing of God who has guided and directed us in our deliberations and actions, and crowned our efforts with success.

There is, however, a complaint in this report, which runs through it from beginning to end like a minor strain dominating the whole composition, depressing in its effect, demanding attention and correction. It is none other than the complaint of the Lord Jesus Christ, "The laborers are few." It has occurred in previous reports, but it has never before been so prominent, so insistent in its appeal, so imperative in its demand. Almost every one of the missionaries repeats it, the Mission Council in India has devoted a special report to it, and the Board presents it in the earnest hope that it may receive the prayerful consideration of the whole Church. While we agitate, pray and labor for an increase of pastors, we dare not, we must not, overlook the claims of our harvest fields abroad, which now so loudly call for a largely increased force of missionaries, both men and women.

PART I

The Work of the Board

The Board of Foreign Missions has sought to do its work conscientiously. wisely, and well. As the Missions grow larger in extent and more complex in their activities, the work of the Board becomes more diverse and difficult. It is the common experience of those who are members of this Board, that, in order to be able to take an intelligent and active part in the proceedings of the meetings of the Board, one needs to become acquainted with a mass of mission details and a network of mission operations, which require careful study and constant attention. A

foreign mission is a Church in the making, and all the varied life and activity of the Church need to be cultivated and developed in it. The final responsibility for such cultivation and development rests with the Board of Foreign Missions. Our report will show what problems we have had to solve and how we have tried to solve them, what tasks we have been given to perform and how we have endeavored to perform them.

I. HOME ADMINISTRATION

Officers and Meetings of the Board.—The Board desires to recognize the able and wise administration of the duties of President by the Rev. Prof. Edward T. Horn, D.D., LL.D., who has served in that capacity since 1907, and the fidelity and efficiency of the Treasurer, Mr. James M. Snyder, who has occupied this office since 1908. The General Secretary has continued to serve as the English Recording Secretary. The Rev. C. Theodore Benze, D.D., is the German Recording Secretary, and the Rev. P. J. O. Cornell, the Swedish Recording Secretary. Dr. S. C. Seiple, though no longer a member of the Board, has continued to act as the Medical Advisor. The Board meets regularly on the first Thursday of January, March, May, July, September and November, and usually devotes a whole day to a meeting.

The General Secretary.—The Rev. George Drach, who has been the General Secretary since June, 1905, has attended to his manifold duties as heretofore, conducting the official correspondence with the Missions and the Home Church, editing "The Foreign Missionary," and the pamphlets and circulars issued by the Board from time to time, performing the duties of English Recording Secretary, and presenting the cause of our foreign missions in sermons and addresses. He has visited nearly all of the congregations of the Pennsylvania Ministerium, covering the territory of each Conference in turn on itineraries prepared by the officers or committees of the respective Conferences; and is now engaged in similar work in the Pittsburgh and other Synods.

The Swedish District Secretary.—The Rev. Carl Solomonson began to serve the Board as its Swedish District Secretary on December 15, 1911, and did excellent work for a year, urging the congregations of the Augustana Synod, which he visited and to which he delivered addresses, to support the foreign missions of the General Council to the best of their ability. He also prepared, published, and sold new editions of the Swedish tracts of the Board. At the earnest and repeated solicitation of the authorities of Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn., of which he is an alumnus, he was given a six months' leave of absence, beginning December 1, 1912, in order to assist in raising an endowment fund for his Alma Mater. This period was extended another half year, at the expiration of which, it is hoped, he will return to the service of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The Seal of Incorporation.—The Board as a corporate body adopted a seal, showing a flying angel with outstretched hands, and the motto, "Fear God and give glory to Him" (Revelation 14:6-7).

Documents of the Board.—In March, 1912, the Board received a communication from the Board of Trustees of the General Council, containing the following resolutions:

"*Resolved,* That the President and Secretary be authorized and directed to execute and deliver in the name of this corporation and attach the corporate seal of this corporation to any and all deeds of conveyance, assignments, transfers, policies of insurance and other papers and instruments of writing necessary for the transfer and conveyance to the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, and of all lands, tenements, real estate, mortgages, bonds, stocks, and any and all other securities and property now held by this corporation for the use and benefit of the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council, or for the foreign mission cause of the General Council.

"*Resolved,* That in the transfer and assignment of the funds and securities, a copy of the conditions of all gifts and bequests be furnished to the Board of Foreign Missions, so that the funds may be held under and subject to the same conditions and upon the same trusts."

Since the receipt of this communication the Board of Foreign Missions has requested the Trustees to carry the above resolution into effect by giving the Board of Foreign Missions possession of the papers which belong to it; but they are still held by the Trustees.

Literature.—The sum of $1,806.56 has been expended for literature during the past two years, and $750.88 have been received from the sale of pamphlets by the General Secretary and the Swedish District Secretary.

In the publication and distribution of the Board's Report, of pamphlets and circulars during the Epiphany season and at other times, offered free of charge to all who desire this literature, the Board has endeavored to keep the Church fully informed on every phase of its work and on the constant progress of our Missions. It is unfortunate, that, although this literature may be secured without expense to congregations, many pastors neglect to avail themselves of the opportunity thus afforded to educate their people up to a higher level of intelligent and hearty co-operation in our Church's effort to help to carry out the Lord's great commission to make disciples of the nations.

The Board has resolved to publish a History of our Mission in India, including a life of Father Heyer, written by the Rev. George Drach and the Rev. C. F. Kuder, and has placed the manuscript in the hands of the Board of Publication, agreeing to bear a part of the expense.

"*The Foreign Missionary,*" edited by the General Secretary, the Rev. George Drach, and published under the business management of the General Council Publication House, has, through the personal efforts of the General Secretary, increased the number of its subscribers to about 7,000.

"*Der Missionsbote,*" of which the Rev. R. C. G. Bielinski is both the editor and business manager, has continued to serve in a most efficient

manner the interest of the Board and the Missions in the German congregations of the General Council and of a number of independent synods.

Beginning with January, 1912, *"Der Kleine Missionsbote,"* has been published by the Rev. Mr. Bielinski as a four-page quarterly for children. Over 8,000 copies of each issue have been printed and distributed free of charge to those who desire it, to cultivate the missionary interest and activity of the children in our German Sunday-schools.

For those who wish to keep in touch with the foreign mission situation in the General Council, no other papers can take the place of *"The Foreign Missionary"* for those who prefer the English language, or of *"Der Missionsbote"* for those who prefer the German. No other papers can be regarded as substitutes. They can be only supplements; and we urge our pastors to make every effort to interest our people in one or the other of our official organs.

Regular and Special Offerings.—There has been a slight falling off in the number of the special Epiphany Season envelopes for the collection of funds for foreign missions, because in many congregations provision is now made through the duplex envelope system for a foreign mission offering every Lord's Day. While we rejoice in the use of any system which insures regular weekly offerings for the general work of the Church, we feel that the special Epiphany season envelopes should be distributed in the Sunday-school even when the duplex envelope is used for the adult membership. In some congregations a duplex system is used also in the Sunday-school, and in that case we can understand why no special envelopes are desired. Whatever system may be employed, the training of the whole membership, adults and children, in the grace of giving for the great causes of the kingdom of God on earth, should not be neglected in any congregation.

Gifts and Legacies.—A number of special gifts and legacies have been received. Mrs. Mona Shunk, of Morgantown, W. Va., gave $500.00 to endow a boy's scholarship in memory of her husband, the Rev. John Shunk.

From the estate of Mrs. Caroline Zuber a legacy of $1,000.00 was received.

The sum of $570.80 has been received from the John Keck estate, and the Board has pledged itself to pay the widow interest as long as she lives.

A number of other legacies have been reported to the Board which it hopes to receive as soon as the estates are settled. Our pastors are requested to draw the attention of those who desire to remember the causes of the Church in their last wills and testaments, to our foreign missions. All bequests should be made to the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, which is the corporate title.

Missionaries Supported.—All the congregations and societies reported two years ago as supporters of missionaries have continued their support, except St. James', Portland, Oregon, and the First Church, Pittsburgh. The latter began to support Miss Margaret Haupt, but after her marriage

to the Rev. Oscar V. Werner discontinued it, not failing, however, to give our mission work most hearty support in other directions. In addition to those already reported, the Church of the Reformation, Rochester, N. Y., has assumed the support of Dr. Amy B. Rohrer, the Women's Missionary Society of the Pittsburgh Synod has pledged the full amount required for the support of Miss Agnes I. Schade, and St. John's Church, Allentown, Penna., supports the Rev. Oscar V. Werner.

The Board's Income and Expenditure.—Two years ago the Board asked and was granted a total apportionment of $75,000 a year for Foreign Missions. The report of the treasurer shows that the total receipts during the biennium were $126,761.55, an average of $63,380.77 a year. This is an improvement over the previous biennium, which, not counting the Hospital Fund, most of which had been collected throughout a period of many years, showed an average of $51,390.08 a year.

The expenditures of the Board must necessarily be determined by its income, unless debts are created, and the Board has carefully avoided the creation of debts. The treasurer's report shows a balance of $19,940.32, but it must be remembered that the accounts were closed on July 1st, after the Synods had met and the income, as a consequence, had been at flood-tide. The summer months bring the ebb-tide, when the monthly income is considerably reduced. Most if not all of the balance now in hand will be required for the regular remittance due to be sent to our missions in August.

The Board has submitted an estimate of expenses during the coming biennium to the General Council's Committee on Finance and Budget, and asked for the approval of an apportionment of $90,000.00 a year for the next two years, to allow not only the work already established to be continued, but also to provide for such expansion as the opportunities in our missions permit, indeed, demand. The estimate is as follows:

Salaries of missionaries	$25,000
Secretaries' salaries and expenses	5,000
General work in India	25,000
General work in Japan	10,000
Buildings and repairs	17,000
Furloughs and traveling of missionaries	4,000
Printing, administration and incidentals	4,000
Total	$90,000

2. MISSIONARIES ON FURLOUGH

Our missionaries in India are allowed a furlough in the home-land, lasting about eighteen months, after the first eight years of service in the mission, and thereafter every seven years, except in the case of woman missionaries who are granted furlough after each six years of service. The climate of India is tropical and enervating for those accustomed to live in the temporate zone, and a return to their native land for rest and recuperation and for the renewal of friendships and acquaintances, as

well as for the presentation of their work to the home Church, is deemed essential for the best service of missionaries. The Board, therefore, usually grants furloughs when they are due.

Where there are so few missionaries as in our Telugu Mission, however, furloughs always interfere to a considerable extent with the mission work. When a missionary goes on furlough and there is no one prepared to take his place, one of the regular missionaries must take care of the vacated district or department in addition to his own, and, consequently, both of the districts or departments thus temporarily served suffer for lack of attention. The only remedy is the constant sending out of missionaries in sufficient numbers to provide for the supply of each missionary as he leaves on furlough by someone prepared to take his place until he returns. That has not been the case in our mission, and it will not be the case unless we secure and keep at work in the field about twice the number of men and women we now have.

After spending a part of his furlough, from May 29, to September 5, 1912, in America, and making a deep and, we trust, a lasting impression by his addresses at meetings of Synods and in a number of churches, the Rev. R. Arps, with his wife and daughter, returned to Germany, and from there, leaving their daughter with relatives, the Rev. and Mrs. Arps went back to India, reaching Dowlaishwaram on November 21, 1912.

The Rev. H. E. Isaacson, D.D., wife, and daughters came to the United States in the spring of 1912, reaching Lindsborg, Kansas, on May 27th, and taking up their temporary residence in that town. Dr. Isaacson has been busy almost all of the time on furlough delivering addresses in congregations of the Augustana Synod, and thus helping to increase the interest of that body in our Telugu Mission. He will return to his field at Samulkot after the expiration of his furlough.

Dr. Lydia Woerner was granted a leave of absence on account of ill health as a result of blood-poisoning contracted during an operation in the hospital at Rajahmundry. She reached Philadelphia early in September, 1912, suffering also from neuritis which for a while stubbornly resisted medical treatment, but in the semi-tropical climate of Florida, where she went to visit a brother, her condition improved. Though she cannot return to India this fall, we hope and pray that she may be restored to health and go back to her great work in our mission sometime in 1914. As a recognition of her sercives as a medical missionary in India she received from the emperor, the Kaiser-i-Hind, silver medal.

When the Rev. C. F. Kuder went to India in January, 1908, the Board agreed to permit his return to America after five years of service in India, if circumstances in his family demanded it. That period expired with the close of the year 1912, and the Board kept its agreement. He left Rajahmundry on February 22nd and reached Salem, Va., where his family had been living while he was in India, on April 23, 1913. Immediately thereafter he started on an itinerary, visiting the various Synods in the East as the representative of the Board. He has been engaged for a while to deliver addresses in the interest of our Telugu Mission,

but does not expect to return to India in the near future, on account of his duty to his family.

The Board has granted furloughs in 1914 to Rev. Oscar L. Larson, Rev. O. O. Eckardt, Dr. Amy B. Rohrer and Miss Sigrid Esberhn. Rev. Karl L. Wolters, whose furlough was due early in 1913, has offered to remain at work in the mission because his leaving would reduce the force to three ordained missionaries for seven districts. We wish to express our appreciation of this sacrifice on the part of Mr. Wolters. Miss Emily L. Weiskotten, whose furlough would be due in the spring of 1914, has been requested to remain another year in the mission, because her services are imperatively needed at present.

3. NEW MISSIONARIES

Those who attended the last convention of the General Council at Lancaster, Pa., will remember with joy and gratification the evening meeting at which five new missionaries were introduced and responded in most impressive addresses. Since then four additional missionaries have entered our service in India, but of these, one has already returned, much to the disappointment of the Board. The total number of missionaries in India is no larger today than it was two years ago.

Soon after his elder brother had sailed, the Rev. August A. F. Neudoerffer responded to the call of the Board to follow him to India. He was commissioned on November 29, 1911, in St. Johannis Church, Philadelphia. He was born at Santo Leopolidina, Brazil, June 18, 1881, his father having been a missionary at that place for seven years. About a year after the birth of their son August, the family returned to Germany and from there came to Canada, where the Rev. E. Neudoerffer, Sr., has been the pastor of a flourishing German parish for many years. August attended public school at Normanly, Ontario, and in the fall of 1897 entered Wagner College, Rochester, N. Y., from which he was graduated in 1902. He received his theological education at the Seminary in Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, and was ordained June 19, 1905. For six years he served St. Paul's congregation, Hainesport, N. J. Sailing from New York on December 9th, he reached Rajahmundry, January 17, 1912. At present he has charge of St. Paul's congregation, Rajahmundry, the Training School for Masters, the Braun Industrial Mission Press, and the Book Store.

Two graduates of Augustana Theological Seminary, Rock Island, Ill., were called and sent out as missionaries in 1912, but one of them, the Rev. Ivar F. Witting, after a residence of four months in India, resigned, and, although urged to reconsider his resignation, insisted on it and returned to the United States.

The other, the Rev. Thure Holmer, was born in Sweden, June 5, 1882, and came to the United States with his parents when he was eight years of age. The family settled at Falconer, N. Y. Mr. Holmer entered Augustana College in 1902 and was graduated from the Theological Seminary and was ordained in 1912. On July 17th, that year, he married Miss Pauline Celia Bjork. Sailing from New York on July 31st, Mr. and Mrs. Holmer reached Rajahmundry in November, 1912.

Only one woman missionary has been sent out during the past two years. Miss Mary S. Borthwick was born in Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, where she was baptized and confirmed in Christ Church. She took the one year's course at the Mary J. Drexel Home and Motherhouse of Deaconesses, and was commissioned in her home congregation on October 15, 1912, by the President of the Board. She accompanied the Rev. and Mrs. Arps to Rajahmundry, arriving November 21, 1912.

The Board regrets to be obliged to report that as yet no missionaries have been secured to go to our missions this fall. A number of young ladies have applied, to whom the Board suggested further preparation. It is essential at this stage of the work that our missionaries, women as well as men, should be thoroughly qualified and prepared for their respective spheres of service in our foreign fields.

4. WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Now that the Women's Missionary Society of the General Council is fully organized and at work as a general body, we rejoice in the prospect of the cooperation of the women of the whole General Council in the great, unfinished task of the evangelization of the world.

In order that the relation between the Society and the Board may continue to be amicable and conducive to the best interests of the work of Foreign Missions, we would suggest that the Society be asked to report to the General Council concerning its work for Foreign Missions through the Board of Foreign Missions, and that it be made a standing rule that all recommendations of the Society relating to this work shall pass through the hands of the Board before receiving the consideration of the General Council.

5. HOME FOR MISSIONARIES AT KOTAGIRI

At the meeting of the Board on September 5, 1912, a letter was read from Mrs. J. H. Harpster, making the following offer: "I am the fortunate owner of a choice building site at Kotagiri, one of the beautiful hill-stations on the Nilgiri Hills in South India. There are more than two acres. The location is admirably suited for hill bungalows, a much felt want in both of our American Lutheran Missions in India. I wish now to present this property to the Boards of the General Council and of the General Synod for this purpose, making one condition only, namely, each Board to erect a bungalow on this site within two years. I have much pleasure in offering this property to the Boards, for I know the joy it would have given Mr. Harpster to have had a part in supplying to both missions what he considered a great need."

The Board accepted this offer with hearty thanks to Mrs. Harpster and requested that one-half of the site be separately deeded to our Board.

Since this offer was made a number of friends have volunteered to help to raise the funds needed to build this bungalow at Kotagiri, and we, herewith, appeal to others to cooperate in this special undertaking.

6. FURTHER AGREEMENT WITH CANADIAN BAPTISTS

Our nearest neighbors on the mission field in India are the Canadian Baptists, with whom we made an agreement in 1906 concerning boundary lines and principles of mission comity. On February 14-16, 1912, committees of both missions met at Samulkot and drew up a further agreement, which was afterwards ratified by the Home Boards. It is as follows:

"The undersigned members of the Canadian Baptist Mission and of the Rajahmundry Lutheran Mission met in Samulkot on February 14-16, 1912, for the purpose of completing the agreement made by the two missions in 1906 and further defined in Toronto in October, 1910.

"I. It is mutually agreed to recommend to the authorities of both missions, that, in the Godaveri District, in the territory occupied by both missions, but in which no definite boundary lines have been established hitherto, there shall be a territory common to both missions, with boundaries as specified hereinafter; that the region lying east of said common territory shall belong to the Baptist Mission with Lutheran reservations; and likewise, that the region lying west of said common territory shall belong to the Lutheran Mission with Baptist reservations; said reservations in both cases to be specified hereinafter.

"Article II defines the boundary lines of the territory common to both missions. Article III names the villages (47 in all) which belong exclusively to the Lutheran Mission in this common territory, and the villages (41 in all) which belong exclusively to the Baptist Mission in this common territory. Siripuram, Divila and Samulkot are named as being common territory. Article IV names seven towns and villages in the Baptist territory reserved by the Lutheran Mission. Article V names eight towns and villages in the Lutheran territory reserved by the Baptist Mission. Article VI designates six towns and villages outside of the common territory which are to be common to both missions. The other articles read as follows:

"VII. All villages in the Lutheran and Baptist territories, other than those specified heretofore, shall belong to the mission to which the respective territory belongs, each mission agreeing to cease from further aggressive work, but reserving the right to shepherd its own people.

"VIII. We further agree that the Baptist Mission shall withdraw all its agents from, and cease all aggressive work in Jaggampet, and that the Lutheran Mission shall withdraw all its agents from, and cease all aggressive work in Pithapuram, each mission, however, again reserving the right to shepherd its own people.

"IX. We further agree that the Baptist Mission shall sell its property in Peddapuram to the Lutheran Mission, and cease from all aggressive work, again reserving the right to shepherd its own people. And also the privilege for the present lady missionary in Peddapur to continue her

work there as long as she is connected with the mission, or until other mutually satisfactory arrangements for the work can be made. And the Lutheran Mission stipulates that its final adoption of the provisions in the preceding eight paragraphs is conditioned by the adoption of paragraph IX by the Baptist Mission."

Articles X and XI make this agreement binding on all missionaries of both missions, and provide for a Joint Committee of three members of each mission, to which all issues relating to this agreement shall be referred.

7. JOINT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT MADRAS

Sometime in the spring of 1912 the Board caused to be printed and distributed through the mail, as a separate pamphlet, "The Action of the Missionaries in India and of the Board of Foreign Missions with Reference to the Establishment of a Theological Seminary among the Telugu Christians in India." One of the resolutions of the All-India Lutheran Conference, held at Rajahmundry, in December, 1911, quoted in the above named pamphlet, reads as follows: "The All-India Lutheran Conference, in session at Rajahmundry, strongly urges and approves of the establishment of a United Lutheran Theological Seminary at Madras. It recommends that every mission represented in the Conference, uniting in the establishment and maintenance of such a united institution, pay its share of the original cost involved in the starting of such an institution, including the land and buildings, set aside and support a missionary professor, if desirable, and pay its part of the salaries of Indian teachers and other general expenses. It recommends that, as soon as possible, the first class be formed. It recommends that all professors and teachers in this Seminary be bound to an acceptance of the Bible as the infallible rule of doctrine and life, and that they be required to subscribe to the Augustana Invariata. It recommends that the Symbolical Books be an essential part of the curriculum of studies."

The argument of the Board and of the missionaries concerning such a Joint Theological Seminary for all Lutheran Missions in India, to be located at Madras, was printed in full in the above named pamphlet and need not be repeated here.

It remains for the General Council to decide whether its Board of Foreign Missions shall allow and authorize the Mission in India to join in this undertaking.

8. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

The governing body in our Telugu Mission is the Mission Council, consisting of all missionaries, men and women, who have passed their second examination in Telugu. All the ordained missionaries constitute a Ministerium which regulates the affairs of their work. The women missionaries meet as a Women's Conference. The Rev. R. Arps was elected by the mission to succeed the Rev. C. F. Kuder as the President of the Mission Council and the official correspondent of the mission. The Rev. Ernst Neudoerffer is the treasurer in India and the attorney for the Board. The missionaries and their native helpers meet once a year as a

Mission Conference for the discussion of questions bearing on the mission work.

Salaries of Native Workers Increased.—The Board resolved to adopt the new scale of salaries of native workers, recommended by the mission, and put it into effect on July 1, 1913. As a consequence the estimates for the second half of the year rose to the sum of $9,850.00, as compared with $9,000.00 for the corresponding half-year of 1912.

Because of this increase we suggest that the sums fixed *for the support of native workers* be raised as follows: $60.00 a year for a catechist, $45.00 a year for an evangelist, $35.00 a year for a teacher, and $35.00 a year for a Bible-woman.

Property and Buildings.—The Hospital for Women and Children at Rajahmundry was finished, opened, and dedicated on July 20, 1911. It has proved to be all that was expected of it as a mission institution, and will become more and more important as a factor in the mission work, as the mission extends its influence throughout the districts of the Godaveri delta.

After Dr. Lydia Woerner left Rajahmundry on sick leave, Dr. Amy B. Rohrer took charge of the hospital, while Dr. Betty Nilsson cared for the dispensary work. When Dr. Rohrer comes home on furlough in 1914 the whole burden of the medical work in all of its departments will rest on the shoulders of one lone medical missionary, Dr. Nilsson. If no one is sent out in the meantime to assist her, an Indian or Eurasian physician will have to be employed.

In 1912 the Board sent out some operating-room furniture, costing $351.51, and brass tablets to designate the donors of furniture in the wards and rooms, costing $178.25. For the upkeep of the Children's Wards on the first floor, furnished as a memorial to their daughter, Dorothea, for the purchase of additional equipment and for the benefit of sick children in any part of the mission field, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Boschen, of New York, are contributing $50.00 a year.

The fees received by our medical missionaries are now regularly reported and are being applied as needed in the work of the mission.

Peddapur Boys' High School.—An institution of growing importance in the mission is the Peddapur High School for Boys. The corner stone of the new building was laid on November 25, 1911, and the finished building was dedicated on October 29, 1912. This school is now in charge of a missionary, the Rev. F. W. Schaefer, who is to devote all his time to it and to the town of Peddapur which has a population of about 20,000. The Baptist Mission which had erected a bungalow at Peddapur some years ago, offered to sell it to our mission and the offer was accepted. It was purchased for Rs. 7,500 ($2,640.00), with the understanding that the Baptists would not build another nor undertake work in the town.

Bhimawaram Bungalow.—At last the greatly desired bungalow at Bhimawaram is being built. It is to cost about Rs. 20,000 ($6,666.66). Usually we do not allow so much for a missionary's dwelling, but because of the location of Bhimawaram, more than thirty miles from Rajah-

mundry, whence all the building material must be gotten, and shipped in canal boats and in ox-carts, the cost of construction is increased at least twenty-five per cent.

For the same reason the bungalow which we have decided to build at Jaggampet, almost as far from Rajahmundry in a northeasterly direction, will cost as much as the one at Bhimawaram. As explained in connection with the report of the Jaggampet District missionary, the erection of this bungalow has been delayed.

Other Building Operations.—A new house-boat for the Tadepalligudem district was built in 1912, costing $900.00, and one to cost about as much has been ordered for the Dowlaishwaram District. The old house-boats in these districts had been condemned as unsafe.

We had hoped to build the Harpster Memorial Hostel for Theological Students at Rajahmundry during the past year, but the uncertainty of our plans for the theological training of native workers has delayed this undertaking.

The bungalow at Samulkot has been reconstructed at a cost of $1,625.00, and the Dormitory of the Girls' Central School has been extensively repaired at a cost of $1,000.00. Other repairs have cost us $2,197.15.

The Erie Conference Women's Missionary Society of the Pittsburgh Synod is gathering funds to erect a new bungalow for the Girls' Central School, so that Miss Schade will no longer be obliged to live alone.

Concerning the need of other new buildings the mission has sent a special appeal which is presented at the close of their reports.

Haas Lands Sold.—We are happy to be able to report that the Haas Lands were sold in March, 1912, to M. Ramanaya for Rs. 25,000 ($8,335). The money thus realized has been credited to the account of the building fund of the Boys' High School at Peddapur, which is hereafter to be known as the *Charlotte Sophia Haas Memorial School.*

Sites for Hindu Girls' Schools.—The sum of $2,175.00, proceeds of the sale of lace in America, was offered in December, 1911, by the Lace Committee of the Women's Missionary Society of the General Council, and was accepted by the Board for the purchase of sites for Hindu girls' schools. Besides the six schools already established two additional ones have been started, one near the railway station at Rajahmundry and the other in Virabhadrapuram.

Other Items.—On October 23, 1912, the Rev. Oscar V. Werner and Miss Margaret C. Haupt were married in St. Paul's Church, Rajahmundry.

Mr. Wm. P. M. Braun contributed an additional $200.00 for a new press ordered and sent from England. The Braun Industrial Mission Printery has continued, in a most admirable manner, to supply the need of Christian books and literature in the vernacular as well as in English, and from the proceeds of job printing it has been able to pay almost all of its running expenses.

Rev. E. Neudoerffer has started a branch book-store at Bhimawaram. The one at Rajahmundry has been continued as usual. The proceeds of

the sale of mission post cards by a special committee of the Women's Missionary Society of the General Council, are devoted to the book-store.

India boxes, containing articles for the hospital and the lace industry, have been sent out as heretofore under the management of a committee of the Women's Missionary Society.

The Board has been asked to consider the advisability of sending out a male medical missionary, and a woman missionary to take charge of the lace industry, but has not yet reached a decision concerning either proposal.

Horses and horse allowance are hereafter to be granted to woman missionaries who need them in their work.

PART II

The Telugu Mission in India

Those who are familiar with the work in this, the first and most important mission of the General Council, will be glad to read what the missionaries have to say concerning their efforts during the past two years. Those who are not so familiar with it, will welcome the presentation of the following reports, in order that they may become more intelligently and sympathetically interested in our Church's foreign mission work.

1. OUR MISSIONARIES IN INDIA

Names	*Years of Service*	*Work*
1. Miss Agnes I. Schade	23	Girls' Central School.
2. Rev. R. Arps	20	Dowlaishwaram District.
3. Rev. Dr. H. E. Isaacson	20	Samulkot District.
4. Dr. Lydia Woerner	14	On Furlough.
5. Rev. C. F. Kuder	13	On Furlough.
6. Rev. Ernst Neudoerffer	13	Bhimawaram District.
7. Miss Emilie L. Weiskotten	13	Hindu Girls' Schools.
8. Miss Susan E. Monroe	11	Zenana Work.
9. Rev. Karl L. Wolters	9	Tadepalligudem District.
10. Rev. Oscar L. Larson	8	Tallapudi District.
11. Rev. O. O. Eckardt	8	Jaggampet-Korukonda District
12. Dr. Amy B. Rohrer	6	Hospital.
13. Dr. Betty A. Nilsson	5	Dispensaries.
14. Miss Sigrid Esberhn	5	Zenana Work.
15. Rev. Oscar V. Werner	2	Boys' Central School.
16. Rev. Frederick W. Schaefer	2	Peddapur High School.
17. Rev. A. A. F. Neudoerffer	2	St. Paul's Training School, Printery and Book-store.
18. Miss Agatha Tatge	2	Trained Nurse.
19. Miss Mary S. Borthwick	1	Studying Telugu.
20. Rev. Thure Holmer	1	Studying Telugu.

2. WORK IN THE DISTRICTS

Our Telugu Mission is divided into district and departments. The work in each district or department is supervised by a foreign missionary.

Because of a lack of missionaries and on account of furloughs, it is almost invariably the case that one or more of the missionaries must divide his or her time between two districts or departments. Thus, during the furlough of Dr. H. E. Isaacson, the Rev. Karl L. Wolters has had charge of the Samulkot District in addition to his own, which is the Tadepalligudem District. While the Rev. R. Arps was on furlough his district work was supervised by the Rev. O. L. Larson from the Tallapudi District. The Rev. O. O. Eckardt has taken care of two districts, the Jaggampet and the Korukonda Districts, during the entire two years. Anyone acquainted with the character and extent of the work in each district will admit that the mission cannot grow and prosper as it should, until there is a sufficient number of missionaries constantly on the field to provide one for each district and department despite interruptions by furlough.

Jaggampetta and Korukonda Districts.—The Rev. O. O. Eckardt describes the extent of his districts as follows: "I have never gone to the extreme ends of the territory assigned me, because it is difficult to travel in the dense jungles of the northwestern parts; but I have gone further than any of my predecessors, and had I not had much more work than I could properly do in those parts where there are no jungles, I should surely have explored the territory which neither I nor any other missionary has ever seen. My districts, as far as there are any Christians, cover a territory of 56 by 30 miles, or 1680 square miles. In this territory there are about 1,300 Christians belonging to our mission, and of this number 344 persons were baptized during 1912. If you divide the number of miles by the number of Christians, you will find that there is one baptized person to an average of each one and one-half square miles. There are 22 so-called congregations in this territory, an average of 77 miles for each congregation. I have two congregations each spread over an area of about 200 square miles. An evangelist or catechist is responsible for each congregation. Most of my time is spent in looking after the scattered Christians and in supervising the village schools. When this work is done I have very little time left for preaching to the heathen, who number at least several hundreds of thousands in my districts. . . . The Home Church must send us more missionaries. Year after year with ever increasing emphasis, sometimes almost in despair, we have repeated this cry. Surely we have a right to expect that our large General Council will send us at least one missionary for each district and each department of our mission."

Mr. Eckardt urges the need of a station and bungalow at Jaggampetta. A site has been purchased and plans for a building have been approved, but inasmuch as Mr. Eckardt will leave the mission on furlough in 1914, the Board has decided to postpone the erection of the bungalow for the present, which is another instance of forced delay on account of a lack of missionaries.

Concerning the Korukonda District which borders on the Godavery river from Rajahmundry to Badrachalam, a distance of fifty miles, Mr. Eckardt writes: "I should be relieved of this district at the earliest possi-

ble moment, and the missionary in charge of it should by no means live in Rajahmundry, but in Korukonda (which, being interpreted, is, The Hill of Desire), to which thousands of people make pilgrimages every year to visit a famous heathen shrine. Climb the hill on which this shrine stands and more than twenty villages can be seen in which heathenism reigns supreme. Korukonda should be one of the best centres of mission work in the whole field, and my heart is heavy with sadness because I have not been able to devote more time to it."

Mr. Eckardt says that the missionary does his most effective work when he instructs his native agents. "In this work the missionary finds opportunity to make clear the great message of Christ to his assistants, on whom the care of the converts and the conversion of their countrymen are laid. The missionary may be ever so well at home in the language of the people, yet he can never get so close to them as his native helper. The missionary tells his assistants what they are to tell the people, and these repeat the message in their own way, which is really the most comprehensible way for the people."

Tadepalligudem and Samulkot Districts.—The Rev. Karl L. Wolters reports, that, because during most of the past two years other districts than his own have been temporarily in his care, he has not been able to do full justice to his own, the Tadepalligudem District. Nevertheless, all villages having Christians were visited at regular intervals. He writes: "We are getting better-trained teachers who are raising the standard of the village schools. Our difficulty now is to erect proper schoolhouses at the same rate as we get better teachers. The Government has raised the grant-in-aid for primary schools, but also demands better houses and more teaching apparatus. Inasmuch as these must be provided for from money received as grant, the demands cannot be met."

Mr. Wolters relates some interesting experiences in his work. "In one village, after only a few months of faithful teaching by the catechist in charge, most of the villagers were ready for baptism; and though they met with a great deal of opposition on the part of the heathen population of the higher castes, they remained steadfast to their baptismal vows, and willingly suffered for the name of Christ. In another case an entire village, entered only a few weeks ago, now promises to accept Christianity as a whole. In a third village I tried for a long while in vain to get some land as a site for a school. Though the site was granted by the highest European official in the district, obstacles were continually put in the way by the village officials. One day the Karnam (chief of the village officers), who formerly would not allow the Christians even to enter his compound, much less approach his house, came himself to see me, and said he would be happy to grant the desired site. Why this change of sentiment? His daughter-in-law had been sick in another village, and our Dr. Rohrer had attended her and helped her. As a consequence the Karnam is no longer hostile to Christianity. When, a little later, a priest said that he had a dream, in which it had been revealed to him, that the site which the Christians desired, had been chosen by the goddess Durgamma for

a temple to be erected to her honor and worship, the Karnam overruled Durgamma, and our schoolhouse is to be built in spite of the terrible goddess.

The chief work done in the Samulkot District during the past two years was the erection of the new building for the Peddapur High School. It is by far the most attractive building in the town. "Unfortunately the Samulkot District is also occupied by the Canadian Baptists, and the present agreement with them restricts us to certain villages, which greatly hampers expansion. In accordance with this agreement teachers were withdrawn from certain schools, and when that is done the people of the village are practically lost to us. A mistake occurred in the enumeration of the membership of the district, which must have at least 500 more Christians than have been reported.'

Tallapudi District.—Rev. O. L. Larson writes an encouraging report of work done in his district. "Our force of native workers in this district has been increased and our efforts to extend and intensify our work has met with greater success than we had dared to hope. This we say with a feeling of deep humility and with gratitude to God. Our membership in this district has risen from 1,291 to 1,609 (if the 327 baptized thus far in 1913 are added, to 1,936), and the contributions of the native Christians from Rs. 186 to Rs. 487."

Mr. Larson says that the outlook in his district is bright, and that there is opportunity enough for two missionaries. "Zemindars, who are large land-holders and who formerly hated and opposed Christianity, are now becoming our friends and are encouraging their subjects to become Christians. Some villages have no schools of any sort, but they all want them now, and regardless of caste many promise to send their children and to contribute towards the support of the schools. Schools for caste children would cost more than for out-castes, but they would become self-supporting. A few years ago the caste people did all in their power to prevent us from securing sites on which to build school-sheds for the out-castes. Now they are getting anxious to help us establish good schools and are willing to pay for the privilege of sending their children to school. We have spent most of our money and effort on the out-castes, and now we must do something for the caste people. Surely mountains are being removed and gates are being opened, that the King of Glory may come in and claim His people. Opportunities unheard of are now offered us; and to seize them we need Prayer, Men and Money."

Bhimawaram District.—The Rev. E. Neudoerffer reports 1,036 baptisms in the Bhimawaram District during the year 1912. Some of the older congregations have experienced a revival and a number of entirely new ones have been added. He writes: "For many years we had a congregation at Mahadevapatnam, but it did not grow. A little over a year ago I placed another native worker in that village and the results have been marvelous. Over 100 souls were converted. Only a few more Mala families remain unconverted in this village, and most of them are under instruction for baptism. For years we had a handful of people in Bon-

dada, and they were going backward. About a year ago I changed the teacher, and at the same time a number of men came back from Bassein, Burma, where they had come under the influence of some Gospel workers. In a short time 90 were baptized.

"Lankalakoder is a new village. The present number of Christians is not large, but the prospects are that in the near future we shall have a harvest of several hundreds of souls in this village. Another new congregation was organized in Mugallu, a small village in which the chief men are Brahmins. Our little flock of Christians there numbers only 25 souls, but they are faithful and will without doubt win other Malas by their efforts. This is one of the villages in which we were not able to get a site for a schoolhouse, because the villagers were antagonistic. They threatened to drive out the Christians and resorted to such extreme measures as beating them in order to accomplish their purpose. You will be glad to learn that this failed. Another new congregation was established in Mogultur, near the sea. There are quite a number of villages there that have never been visited, and where, perhaps, the foot of a white man has never trod. Another new congregation is in Penumanchili, which is a caste-ridden town. The lower castes are not permitted to walk in certain streets, which are reserved for the high caste people."

Mr. Neudorffer is emphasizing the obligation of self-support and self-propagation in his district. During the two years under review nearly two thousand rupees were collected by the native Christians for the purpose of employing eight men, chiefly evangelists, to preach to those who who have not yet heard the Gospel.

A Boarding School has been started at Bhimawaram. It is conducted at the expense of the district, and the aim is to make it entirely self-supporting. Thirty-six boys were admitted in 1912, the first year of the undertaking. Buildings for this school are needed. Another new enterprise is a branch book-store. Two colporteurs, supported by the Madras Tract Society, are employed.

Mr. Neudoerffer has sent a report of the work done in Rangoon, Burma, which is printed in another place. "The time will soon come," he writes, "when either our own mission or the All-India Lutheran Conference will have to set apart a foreign missionary for work in Burma. At present our work is confined to Rangoon, but it should be extended to Bassein, Moulmein, and other cities, in which hundreds of Telugus live and work. Our greatest need is a site and a number of buildings to be used as schoolhouse, chapel and dwelling for the catechist."

Dowlaishwaram District.—The Rev. R. Arps reports that shortly after his arrival at Dowlaishwaram the Rev. Mr. Larson handed over the district again to him. "On Thursday, December 6, 1912, the first meeting took place between the 43 male agents of the Dowlaishwaram district and their missionary. It was a joyful reunion as between father and children. Many questions concerning our visit to America had to be answered. In December I was able to make only a ten days' tour in the old mission boat, and in January and February, only twelve days were

spent on tour. Most unfortunately the keel of the boat broke and in order to avoid disaster on the canal, the boat was abandoned. I then visited my district as far as I was able to reach it, by train and bicycle. Leaving Dowlaishwaram early in the morning, and returning at night, I visited eleven out-stations. I had to exclude the whole of the Amalapur taluk (county) which can be reached only by boat. I am sorry I was prevented from going there because I was expected with great desire and eagerness.

"Some of the evangelists asked to be allowed to form a band and visit the villages one after the other and prepare the people for my coming. Eight joined this band and wandered like minstrels with songs and music from place to place. They asked no allowance for traveling, but took their rice along, carrying it on their shoulders. From the Christians on the way they got curry to use with their rice. Before I met them at a certain out-station they had visited a dozen of the surrounding villages. The Christians were quite inspired by this new method, and the non-Christians were taken by surprise. Had I baptized all who came forward as Inquirers during this tour, I would not have enough teachers to keep them under instruction. It is to be deeply regretted that we must keep Inquirers away from baptism, because we have not enough native Christian helpers to take care of them.

"There is a decided movement toward Christianity among the Sudras in some villages of this district, especially where the work among the Panchamas seems to be at a stand-still after so many years of labor. We dare not withhold the Holy Sacrament from these higher castes. Naturally the work will be slower among them than among the uneducated Malas. This Sudra movement is noticeable in five villages which lie close to each other.

"We celebrated our first harvest festival at Dowlaishwaram with marked success. In the evening Rev. August Neudoerffer furnished instruction with his magic lantern. The offerings of the native Christians amounted to Rs. 147."

3. SCHOOLS FOR BOYS

The Rev. C. F. Kuder has furnished the following review of the work done during the past two years in the mission schools for boys.

The Boys' Central School.—"The equipment of the Mission for the training of an efficient body of Indian Christian assistants in the work has made important progress during the past two years. Three institutions are comprised in it. The first is the Boys' Central School at Luthergiri, Rajahmundry, the foundation as well as the crown of our educational scheme, into which boys from the village schools are admitted to be educated and sifted. The older and the less intelligent boys, who appear to be unable to profit by a more advanced course, are sent at once to the Training School for Masters, while the younger and the brighter lads are sent to the High School at Peddapur. Inasmuch as the average age of boys, when they pass through the highest class in the Boys' Central School, is not over fifteen years, about seventy-five per cent. of them

get the benefit of the high school course, at least in part. The Central School plant represents an outlay of $18,000.00, and is a credit to the Mission. The Government gave the usual teaching grants, besides about Rs. 660 ($200) as a special grant for the purchase of apparatus and furniture. Since the departure of the former manager, the Rev. Oscar V. Werner is in charge of this school.

The Boys' High School.—The second unit in our educational scheme is the Boys' High School at Peddapur. Two noteworthy events in the history of this institution need to be recorded, namely, first, the erection of a $15,000.00 building, towards the cost of which the Government gave a grant of Rs. 10,000 ($3,333.00), besides doubling the teaching grant and giving grants of several thousands of rupees for apparatus. The other notable event, of even greater importance, is that, for the first time in its history, the Mission was able to assign a missionary to the supervision of the school, when in July, 1912, the Rev. J. W. Schaefer was sent. This school discharges a two-fold function. It is evangelistic as far as the non-Christian students are concerned, who greatly outnumber the Christians; and pastoral in the case of the Christian students, of whom there are now a score. The total enrollment of the school in 1912 was 468 pupils.

The Training School for Masters.—The requirements of the government system, under which all our mission schools are placed, grow more rigid from year to year. It became apparent some years ago that it was imperative to give our teachers Normal training, if we desired to retain the support of the Government in our educational work. Accordingly the third unit in our educational scheme, The Training School for Masters, was established. From its inception the Government has paid a liberal teaching grant (last year Rs. 1,390 ($463), equal to half the cost of the school, besides stipendiary grants amounting last year to over Rs. 5,000 ($1,666). The Government is now urging us to build a new $7,000.00 building toward which it will contribute Rs. 7,000 ($2,333). To this institution the older boys from the Central School and those from the High School, when they have finished there, are sent for a two years' course.

Theological Schools.—The scheme of the Mission contemplates, after the course in Normal training, another year in the Central School, which is to be devoted solely to religious instruction. A Bible Class of six young men was started in March, 1912.

After years of endeavor and patient waiting our provision for manning the Mission with a body of trained and competent native Christian workers is beginning to approach completeness; but there are still two very important desiderata to be met. One is an arrangement to turn out a larger number of workers. The present supply does not meet more than about fifty per cent. of the demand. The other is a theological school, or even two. One of these is to be on the territory of the Mission to train the men of moderate education. The other, a Joint Theological Seminary, to be located at Madras, is to be for men of high-

er attainments, of whom we are getting and also need an increasing number. Several centuries of mission work in India have resulted in commending Christianity to people of all classes to such an extent that the apologetic phase of the work is now waning; but in the immediate future the doctrinal struggle will come and for it the best men we can furnish, whether foreign or Indian, will be barely good enough. If we defer the establishment of such a Seminary we shall not be ready to cope with the situation, but shall come half a century too late for the garnering of our own.

4. THE WOMAN'S WORK

General Review.—"Woman's work was likely never begun on a smaller scale than in our Telugu Mission; but we look back through the years and acknowledge with gratitude that the work has been owned of God and used for His glory. Instead of one school for Hindu girls there are now six, at the close of the year 1912, attended by over 300 pupils; and the homes of all the pupils are open to the missionary. The Girls' Central School, designed to uplift Christian womanhood and to prepare Indian workers for the various phases of woman's work, has constantly advanced in numbers and in grade. Over 1,200 Hindu women are now regularly instructed in the Word of God in the zenanas, and in the majority of the homes the women bow in prayer before the True and Living God. The establishment of the Training School for Bible Women will insure even greater success. New fields 'white unto the harvest' are waiting to be entered. The Medical work was the most welcome to the Hindus. It could have been begun ten or even twenty years sooner in our Mission. As an evangelizing agency it is important and effective. Its success has been such as to warrant further expansion. In the Dispensary no less than 21,979 visits were made during the year 1912 by patients who came for medical aid. Nearly all of them had two or more relatives with them and all of these had an opportunity to hear God's Word while waiting for medicine. In the Hospital fifty to a hundred women and children daily hear and see something of Christian teaching in word and practice."

Those in charge of the various departments of woman's work have written reports, from which the following extracts are taken:

Hindu Girls' Schools.—"A girl entering the infant class of one of our schools for Hindu Girls passes through the school in five years. When she passes the fourth standard, our highest class, she is usually ten or eleven years of age. Then she discontinues her studies or attends a higher class, the fifth standard, in the Government Girls' School. The influence exerted in the non-Christian schools is powerfully in favor of Hinduism. Should we not provide for the higher education of our girls in a Christian school?"

Miss Weiskotten continues: "Bible instruction has been imparted to the Christian women teachers in our Hindu Girls' Schools with a view of making them more proficient in their distinctive work. The pupils of the schools have been visited in their homes and those who have dis-

continued the school work have been given Bible instruction in their homes at irregular intervals. Our six schools are attended by 366 pupils, instructed by 12 Christian and 4 Hindu teachers. Of the 260 pupils attending the Sunday-schools connected with our Hindu Girls' Schools, many are boys.

"A site and building have been purchased for Mangalavarampetta school. We need a permanent place for our Bethlehem school, which should become our higher grade Christian school for Hindu girls. St. John's School at Riverdale should be removed to that part of town, from which the pupils come. One of the largest Hindu houses in Jamipetta has opened its doors to our school in that section of Rajahmundry.

"There is much, oh, so much, to be done for the women of our mission field. Who will come over and help us do it?"

Girls' Central School.—Miss Agnes I. Schade, Manager of this school, writes: "The children of this school with few exceptions are those who have been born within the Christian Church or who have been rescued from heathenism. The spiritual part of the work consists in establishing them in the faith, helping them to increase in the knowledge of the Word of God, and leading them to be not only hearers but also doers of the Word. With endless patience and perseverance we teach them to become free from the inherent sins of heathenism, strengthen them to resist the evil influences of the heathen community and lead them to walk as the children of light. The secular part consists in giving them a thorough elementary education and teaching them all household duties which will devolve upon them in their life-work as women in Christian homes. The ultimate aim of the school is, that every girl shall become the center of a Christian home, whence light and Christian influence shall spread and disperse the darkness of ages of heathenism.

"The school has now completed the eighteenth year of its existence. The highest numerical strength yet reached has been 297 pupils. Of these 160 are boarders. The increase in numbers, the constant inner development of the school, and the increasing demands of the Government, make it imperative that another woman missionary be sent as soon as possible to be associated in the work of the school.

"The school account shows expenditures of Rs. 5,613 ($1,871) in 1911, and Rs. 5,315 ($1,772) in 1912; a total of $3,643. Of this amount $3.303.00 were furnished by the Home Board, and the remainder was local income. The average cost per child has been kept well within the sum of $15.00 a year. An effort will be made during the next two years to defray a larger proportion of the cost from local income."

Zenana Work.—Miss Susan E. Monroe reports that zenana teaching has been continued in the old town and adjacent pettas of Rajahmundry, and also among the Christians of St. Paul's congregation. "The work has been prosecuted on the principle that Gospel teaching is for all who will give it reverent attention, whether it be in the inner room of a high-caste Hindu home, or among the less exclusive classes, or to women who are doing some household service, or to those who have stopped in the

town to sell milk or vegetables. It is not unusual to have one or two men as listeners, while we teach the women. Recently at three consecutive lessons there were in all nine men of the weaver caste, who stopped their work to listen; and one at least gave evidence that the truth had penetrated and found acceptance

"Our force of Bible-women has been depleted. R. Annamma was stricken down by cholera last August. Sunderamma, after repeated attempts to resume, was obliged to retire from the service, owing to weakness of the heart. One vacancy has been filled by K. Mary. The other remains unsupplied. We look to the Training School for Bible-women to supply our need in the future.

"Some teaching in Christian homes is given by M. Emilia who for years was a teacher of the youngest boys in the Christian boys' school, but for several years past has been relieved from that service and retired on a small pension. She visits the families connected with St. Paul's congregation in Rajahmundry and gives weekly lessons wherever it is desired, using the Telugu translation of Loehe's Catechism and the New Testament.

"It was thought advisable to do whatever was possible for the instruction of the wives of students who are in Rajahmundry undergoing training in the School for Masters. They are usually mothers of young children, either in arms or but a few years old. Consequently as many as seven children are sometimes in the class. Inasmuch as it is the woman's duty to carry from the well or river all the water used in the family, as well as to do all the cooking and keep the living rooms in order, I try to arrange the weekly lessons at a time that best suits the women. We study the Telugu translations of Loehe's Catechism with many proof passages, and of Stump's Bible Teachings, beginning with 'The Christian Law of Life.'

"For the past two years, whenever we could arrange to do so, a Bible-woman and myself have gone to spend a day in Kovur on the opposite side of the Godavery river. This town is sharply divided into two distinct settlements, one Sudra and the other Mala. In the settlement of the Sudras there is an air of thrift, comfort and cleanliness, of which that of the Malas is painfully devoid. We have taught in the morning among the Malas and given the afternoon to the Sudras. In Kovur we have about a dozen houses with seventy-five women and twenty men.

"In the old part of Rajahmundry and five adjacent pettas there are five Bible-women teaching in one hundred and ninety houses, with a varying number of hearers, averaging over seven hundred women and about sixty men, besides the children who gather.

"Who will come to help us in our most important and growing zenana work?"

Miss Sigrid Esberhn who is associated with Miss Monroe in the zenana work, writes as follows: "It is now a little more than two and a half years ago that work among the caste women in Aryapuram was reopened. Looking back at the first efforts to bring the light of the Gospel to souls

enveloped in spiritual darkness, we note a remarkable difference between conditions then and now. We first met with much opposition, indifference, rebuffs and threatenings. We were continually gaining and losing houses. After the first hot season when the work was reopened the number of houses in which we taught had gone down to nine. Slowly but steadily throughout the following year one new house after another was opened to us. We have now twenty in which we have taught for a long time. Some of the women are believers in Christ yet will not confess Him openly. Fear of persecution and loss of caste, which means loss of home and friends, are mighty barriers, too strong for a soul whom the vision of Christ has not gripped with such overwhelming force that all else is counted as loss for the sake of winning Christ.

"Virapadrapuram is another section of Rajahmundry in which caste people live. In the fall of 1911 we began to teach in this petta, and the work has developed very much in the same way as in Aryapuram. We now teach regularly in twelve houses in this section. A sad thing happened in Virapadrapuram. One of our pupils in a zenana became a believer at heart. She told us of her faith and undoubtedly told others. Suddenly she was taken away to some distant village by her relatives, and we have never seen her since. What has become of her is a mystery. Had our mission been in a position to protect her in a home for such persecuted women, she might have been a professing and true Christian today. Alas, we have no such protection!

"Once every two weeks we go to teach in the 'police-line,' near the Rajahmundry jail. Here we gather the people standing around us in the street. Sometimes as many as twenty will gather to hear us, and again only four or five.

"The total number of houses in which a weekly lesson is given under my supervision is 124, and about 482 women receive instruction in the Word of God."

The Training School for Bible Women.—The most important development in the woman's work during the past two years has been the opening of a Training School for Bible-women. It is as yet a feeble beginning with no adequate equipment in the way of buildings, and it ought to have the constant and undivided attention of a missionary; but unless we secure a larger number of missionaries, the school may have to be abandoned again when Miss Esberhn returns to America on furlough in 1914. Begun by her in July, 1912, with three students, it now has six. These are expected to enter the service of the mission as trained zenana workers.

The Hospital for Women and Children.—Since Dr. Lydia Woerner left the mission on furlough in August, 1912, Dr. Amy B. Rohrer has been in charge of the hospital concerning which she writes as follows: "Almost two years have passed since the hospital in India was set apart for the relief of the suffering in Christ's name, and dedicated to the glory of God. The long-cherished hope and desire of the women of the General Council was realized in the erection and maintenance of this hospital. It stands here as a witness of their love and zeal for the Master. To the

many thoughtful natives of our field the buildings are an eloquent expression of the love of the Christian women and children at home for their brown sisters in India.

"From the day of the opening of the hospital, July 20, 1911, up to date, April 25, 1913, as many as 1,168 patients have been admitted into the wards and private rooms. There have been 1,119 office patients, making 1,567 return visits. There have been 342 surgical operations performed. The following tables should be interesting to the friends of the work:

Year	1906	Number of Patients	39
"	1907	" " "	27
"	1908	" " "	107
"	1909	" " "	155
"	1910	" " "	188
"	1911	" " "	321
"	1912	" " "	738
"	1913, to April 25	" " "	210

About $1,000.00 (Rs. 3,000) were received as medical fees during 1912.

"The friends and relatives of the patients, who have come to the hospital with them, have been put to great inconvenience because there is little or no accommodation for them. Near the hospital we have three small kitchens where they may cook their food, but if they happen to be of different castes it means accommodation for only three groups of relatives. Moreover, if there are any men, they may not come near and so are obliged to take their meals under the trees. A Brahmin lawyer of Rajahmundry is now erecting a 'satram,' that is, a rest-house, for caste people, and adjoining it a building for Christians, opposite the hospital grounds. There is a nice well near at hand which all may use, provided there is a caste man to draw the water. We are to have entire charge of this building and expect to charge a nominal fee for its use.

"The patients in the hospital are not obliged to come to the morning prayers at 6 a. m., intended primarily for the nurses and servants, but many do come. Those who can read usually help to sing, and often they start an interesting discussion. Every afternoon there is regular Bible teaching in the wards by the Bible-woman. The missionary outlines the course of study and helps whenever she can. We also talk privately with the patients, sell or give them books, portions of the Holy Scriptures and cards. Every Sunday morning after the regular church service in Rajahmundry a teacher or catechist holds a service on the hospital veranda. Some months ago the offering-box was introduced and explained and those who had money got up and put in their coins. Now we announce the offering in the wards every Saturday. We have sent these offerings to the leper asylum and to the school for the blind. On Sunday afternoon we conduct a Sunday-school in the ward. We need a chapel connected with the hospital.

"We do not have conversions in the hospital. The majority whom we treat had never heard of Jesus Christ before they came to the hospital.

You cannot imagine how little they grasp of the plan of salvation in Christ. You can form no idea of the dense darkness in their minds, which are filled with superstitions. We, however, often hear them admit that their own religion is a vain, empty and foolish thing, and that Christianity is doing wonders for the low-caste people.

"We are thankful for a good staff of workers. The head nurse, an Eurasian, comes from a good Christian family and was trained at Guntur. Any hospital in America would feel proud to number her among its graduates. There are two other untrained Eurasian helpers. The Christian women are good workers, and the non-Christian men and women-sweepers are faithful. We conduct a school for all those who wish to learn to read and write. There is a Bible class for the Bible-women and the helpers who can read.

"The first Donation Day was held on July 20, 1912. There were quite a number of visitors. The boys from the boarding school sang hymns. About $152.00 were given.

"We have an orphanage connected with the hospital. There are at present nine children in it; and a happier lot of children you never saw. The eldest is ten years old. We have just employed a girl who is in the Training Class of the Girls' Central School, to teach these orphans during the hot season.

"We have a Brahmin widow with us who is anxious to be baptized. She came to the hospital months ago. She is now looked upon as an out-caste. She helps to work, sweeps, and often acts as mother to children whose mothers are patients She attends service in Rajahmundry every Sunday. We are keeping her as the first of those whom we hope to gather into a Converts' Home.

"The great need at present is for someone to follow up our patients, enter their homes and give them regular Bible instruction. But where are the women missionaries to do this work? They are still in the Church in America, while out here there are fields for them 'white unto the harvest.'"

The Dispensaries.—"The work in the dispensaries has continued as usual," writes Dr. Betty A. Nilsson. "The departure of Dr. Woerner put quite a damper on the work for some time, for the people knew her, had confidence in her and loved her, and when they found that she was no longer at the dispensary, they sought medical help elsewhere. Gradually many came back, but some have entirely disappeared. Of course many new ones come in from day to day. The average daily attendance varies between fifty and ninety. Counting also the relatives who come, we can safely say that every day over a hundred people hear some message from God's Word in the dispensary at Rajahmundry.

"The Dowlaishwaram Dispensary was begun in August, 1911, and is open three afternoons each week. The attendance here varies between twenty and forty, not counting relatives and friends of patients. They are all taught by one of the Bible-women of Dowlaishwaram, who spends those afternoons in the dispensary instead of going to private homes.

The work in Dowlaishwaram needs a more suitably arranged building and another helper.

"We also opened a dispensary for Mohammedan women in Rajahmundry but were obliged to close it again, because we had too much work already on our hands.

"We are very anxious to have a new and adequate building for the Rajahmundry Dispensary The place in which we hold our clinics is simply a native house with a defective tile roof, low rafters, and a mud floor. It is dark and very close in the building, which is often flooded during the rainy season. Moreover, the rent has been raised and we have been requested to leave, because the owner wants to rent it to friends of his. We can secure a good lot for a dispensary building for Rs. 5,000 ($1,333), and we can erect a building for considerably less than that sum. We have reason to believe that our Indian friends in Rajahmundry will give us financial aid in this undertaking.

"Our prayers to God and our great desire is that Dr. Woerner will be restored to health and return, and that we may get an additional doctor for our expanding work.

"Medical work in Bhimawaram is not only desirable but necessary. Mrs. E. Neudoerffer, M.D., is doing what she can until someone comes out to take up that work; but having her family to look after, she cannot devote much time to medical work.

"May God grant that the Church at home shall realize our great need of missionaries as well as of increased financial support, and pray earnestly that the Lord of the harvest shall send laborers into this field."

Besides studying the language Miss Agatha Tatge has endeavored to make herself useful in the work of the mission. She writes: "The Sunday-school for Brahmin children held at the Rajahmundry Dispensary has been under my supervision for the past year. The old man who takes care of the dispensary personally calls the children together, and when I return from the morning service in St. Paul's Church, about forty or fifty children await me. After the singing of a hymn and prayer, the lesson is taught. There are usually two teachers besides myself.

"The Eurasian people of Rajahmundry have little opportunity to hear the Word of God, because the chaplain of the Church of England, to which they are supposed to belong, comes to Rajahmundry only at irregular intervals. We, therefore, try to supply the need in a Sunday-school conducted in the afternoon at the Medical Home, which is the bungalow in which the medical missionaries live. The average attendance is twenty children and fifteen men and women. One of the Eurasian ladies teaches the infant department, Dr. Nilsson teaches the men and women, and I have charge of the intermediate class.

"My week days are entirely devoted to the study of Telugu. I am eager to finish the language study and take full charge of the nursing in the hospital, in which there are always between twenty and thirty patients. I also desire to undertake the work of a Training School for

Nurses. Two women missionaries in charge of the department of nursing will always be needed here."

Lace Industry.—No special report has been received concerning the lace industry, which during the past two years has been supervised by the wives of the missionaries in charge of the Bhimawaram district. At present the work is directed by Mrs. E. Neudoerffer. The materials for lace making are sent to India in the boxes that are shipped from America each spring, and after the laces are made they are sent to a committee of women in the United States who endeavor to sell them.

5. STATISTICS OF THE TELUGU MISSION

The statistics of our mission in India are very gratifying. At the close of the year 1912 the total membership was 19,377, a net gain of 2,797 during the past two years. In the Bhimawaram district alone as many as 1,034 persons were baptized in the year 1912 The total additions by baptism in 1912 in all the districts were 1,879. The adult communicants at the close of the year numbered 10,845, the inquirers 2,878. Inquirers are those who are being instructed and prepared for holy baptism.

The number of villages in our mission field in which Christians or inquirers reside was 577, the number of congregations, 314. In these three native pastors, 20 catechists, 51 evangelists, 311 teachers and 26 Bible-women were at work. The total native force, therefore, numbered 411. The foreign missionaries, including the wives of missionaries, numbered 29, of whom 12 were ordained men and nine woman missionaries.

In 223 mission day-schools there are 6,559 pupils, of whom 2,821 are Christians and 3,738 non-Christians. In 167 Sunday-schools there are 4,903 pupils, taught by 167 teachers. The mission owns 12 bungalows used as dwellings for missionaries, nine church buildings, 192 prayer-houses and school-sheds, three hostels, or dormitories, and one hospital. The benevolent contributions of the native Christians amounted to $1,-619.00. Government grants, medical fees, and other cash receipts amounted to $10,566.00.

6. THE MOST URGENT NEEDS OF OUR TELUGU MISSION

The Mission Council in India appointed a committee consisting of Rev. R. Arps, Rev E. Neudoerffer, Rev. O. L. Larson and Miss Agnes I. Schade, to draw up a paper, setting forth the most urgent needs of the mission in the immediate future. The following report of the committee was written and adopted at Dowlaishwaram, April 29, 1913:

"1. A few years ago the Board sanctioned the division of the old Samulkot district and thus created the Jaggampetta district, to which the Rev. O. O. Eckardt was appointed, who has faithfully and zealously given his time and attention to it, as well as to the neighboring Korukonda district. It is highly inconvenient for him to live at Rajahmundry. The Board has sanctioned plans and an estimate for a dwelling at Jaggampetta, and this bungalow is one of the most urgent needs of the mission.

"2. The necessity of transferring the headquarters of the Tallapudi district has long been recognized. The Tallapudi bungalow and its location are not suitable for the residence of a foreign missionary. The present missionary, Rev. O. L. Larson, has been obliged to move every other year and has had to work his district at considerable disadvantage. A suitable dwelling, properly located, is most urgently needed.

"3. For the present, because of a lack of missionaries, the Korukonda district is looked after by the Jaggampetta missionary. At an early date this district should again be separated and given a missionary who can devote all his time and attention to it. This will necessitate another new bungalow.

"4. The Bhimawaram-Narsapur and the Dowlaishwaram-Amalapur districts ought to be divided. The one has over twelve thousand Christians, the other six hundred thousand non-Christians. Both are densely populated and in both there are prospects of an immense ingathering into the kingdom. Here, then, two more missionaries and two more residences are urgently needed.

"5. The time is rapidly approaching when we will be compelled to make a new departure in our educational policy, which will call for a boarding-school in every district headquarters. Each one of these schools will enroll a limited number of boys from its own district to be educated up to the third form, which is at present the highest class in the Luthergiri school. When this is done the Luthergiri school would be changed into a preparatory school for the long-desired Theological Seminary in our mission (let us modestly call it a Bible school), where our teachers, evangelists, catechists and pastors would receive their distinctive religious training. There is, to be sure, a certain religious course in the present Boys' Central School at Luthergiri, yet most of the school hours are necessarily taken up with secular branches. With much prayer and anxiety we are yearning for an institution in which religious training shall form the only curriculum, and all the time be devoted to instruction pertaining to our Christian faith and practice. The sooner the day of the religious training school dawns on the mission, the better it will be for the progress and prosperity of the work. Above all other things we need more workers and better trained workers in our mission.

"6. Since the closing of the Rajahmundry High School for boys we have not been in a position to make any special effort to reach the caste people of Rajahmundry. While caste women are being visited by our zenana ladies, and caste girls are attending our Hindu girls' schools, nothing is being done to reach also the caste men and boys. A reading-room and lecture-hall in the heart of the city would mark a forward step; and a building for such purposes is another need in our mission.

"7. Another need, which is also greatly felt, is that of industrial work, This should be carried on for the sake of those parts of the mission, where the people are especially poor and, on becoming Christians, are severely persecuted, often losing their means of livelihood; and also on behalf of those Christian boys in our schools, who though not bright

enough to become mission workers, might be taught some useful trade and thus turn out to be useful members of the Christian community. Moreover, a chief defect of the Hindu and of the average Christian is his dread aversion to manual labor. 'Work is Sin,' is an Indian proverb. It is therefore one of the duties of the missionary to teach the native Christians 'The Gospel of labor.'

"8. We need a new church building at Dowlaishwaram. The Home Church usually erects church buildings at the various district headquarters. The largest congregation in the mission, if the number of school children at Rajahmundry are not counted as members of the congregation there, is at Dowlaishwaram. This congregation offers to contribute the sum of Rs. 1,200 ($400.00) towards the erection of a more suitable church. More cannot be expected from our native Christian members. Inasmuch as the congregation and the work in the town is growing in many directions, a church building, costing about Rs. 10,000 ($3,335) is a pressing need."

With this paper a second one by the same committee was submitted, setting forth the urgent needs of the woman's work.

THE NEEDS OF THE WOMAN'S WORK

"Workers Are Needed.—In the medical work another doctor is an urgent need. Dr. Rohrer goes home on furlough in the spring of 1914, which will leave Dr. Nilsson alone; and Dr. Nilsson's furlough will be due before Dr. Rohrer returns. The medical work is too heavy for one doctor alone. It is also important to have another nurse in preparation, so that she may be ready for work by the time Miss Tatge's furlough shall be due.

"In the Zenana work the need of workers is extremely urgent. Miss Esberhn leaves on furlough in 1914, and this is the fourth year of Miss Monroe's second term of service in India. Her strength does not warrant us in expecting her to remain much overtime. She may and she may not be able to endure until Miss Esberhn returns. The situation in 1914 will be anything but encouraging.

"In the Girls' Central School also reinforcement is necessary. The fall of 1913 should bring one qualified woman missionary for this school. Two years for passing the two vernacular examinations and then two more for experience will be necessary for anyone who takes up the work as it now is. Proficiency in the language, acquaintance with the people and a general knowledge of the work in the villages, whence the girls come and whither they return, are requirements which should not be overlooked.

"The Extension of the Work for Women in Our Mission is Imperative." —In the medical work branch dispensaries should be established. In the Zenana work an effort must be made at Peddapur as a center, and without delay, because of the opportunity; and the work should be extended in all directions, both in Rajahmundry and in the villages. Additional Hindu girls' schools ought to be opened in various sections of Rajahmundry, and, if possible, in the surrounding towns. In the Girls' Central School

another class in the training department will have to be formed in 1914, and the introduction of English must be undertaken.

"Buildings are Needed.—For the medical work we need a new dispensary. Buildings are needed for the Training School for Bible-women, and for a Converts' or Widows' Home. Several of the Hindu girls' schools are still in rented buildings and rents are comparatively high. Quarters should also be erected for a number of teachers of these schools, who are young women needing the protecting care of the missionary in charge. The long-talked-of extension of the bungalow of the Girls' Central School will practically give us a new building, providing rooms for three woman missionaries. The school will soon need the attention of two American women, and then there still would be room for a third to be accommodated, while learning the language."

PART III

The Mission in Burma

Catechist A. Anandappan has submitted a most interesting report to his supervising missionary, Rev. E. Neudoerffer, concerning the work done in Rangoon, Burma, which we quote in full:

"The work among our Telugu Lutherans in Rangoon, Burma, commenced in 1907. V. Sriramalu was our first catechist here. He had to go back to India after a short period of usefulness. Then Charles Spurgeon, a member of the Guntur Mission, stepped in with the permission of the congregation. In spite of irregular support he managed to do work for more than a year. The highest amount he was able to collect towards his salary in a month was Rs. 24 ($8.00). He instructed some people for baptism and got them baptized by the pastor of the Leipsic Lutheran Mission. Circumstances compelled him to give up his work. Thereafter the congregation continued to assemble in the Leipsic Lutheran Church every Sunday after the Tamil service was over. Occasionally some experienced members addressed the congregation in turn, and the Tamil Lutheran pastor's addresses were translated by the Tamil-knowing Telugu members. After some correspondence between this pastor and our mission authorities Rev. C. F. Kuder visited Rangoon in May, 1911, and was then fully convinced of the necessity of locating a Telugu catechist or pastor here.

"I arrived in Rangoon on November 14, 1911. Mr. K. S. Lymen offered me his home. Men like him, keenly interested, gave me full information regarding the members scattered in different parts of Rangoon. On November 19, 1911, I preached my first sermon, 26 Christians and four inquirers being present. The attendance has steadily increased, the average being about fifty. Considering the distance of the place of worship from the dwellings of the people, the attendance is very good. The total number of Christians at present is 238. No other mission in Burma among Telugus in any way approaches this figure.

"For the benefit of Christians and non-Christians who are unable to go to the church in Rangoon (Kandawglay), I conduct services on Sunday

evenings at their quarters. Wednesday evenings are devoted to the explanation of the Scriptures and catechism to our people. This meeting is held in Lamadaw, a place where very many Telugus, both Christian and non-Christian, live. The attendance is satisfactory. In this work I have been greatly blessed, gaining 38 souls for my Lord.

"Some Telugu members of the S. P. G. Mission, including the catechist, tried their best to hinder my work. They say to our members that our Lord's Supper is not at all the Lord's Supper. The European priest himself says that our celebration of the Lord's Supper is mere eating and drinking, and that theirs alone is a real partaking of the body and blood of Christ. The reason given is the absence of bishops among us. So they in a way want to say that the hands of the bishop have something to do with the real presence or non-presence of the Lord's body and blood.

"The statistics for the year from November 14, 1911, to December 31, 1912, are as follows: Communicants, 194, adults baptized, 33, children baptized 5, admissions from other churches, 6, gone back to other churches, 4, deaths, 6.

"The receipts from collections were Rs. 97-10-11; from thank-offerings, Rs. 20-2-3; from monthly subscriptions, Rs. 184-10; total Rs. 302-7-2 ($101.00).

"While I was visiting the Christians and non-Christians and preaching to them, the Burmese people, especially the women, showed a desire to learn what I was teaching. Hearing this I bought six portions of the Bible and two New Testaments in the Burmese language, and one New Testament and one portion in English, and distributed them free of charge. The first fruit of this work is a young Burman, who came forward to confess Christ, and he is being prepared for holy baptism. He assures me that there are many Burmese who want to be baptized.

"I shall not omit to mention the visit of Rev. Ernst Neudoerffer to Rangoon in April. He was able to form a clear idea of the importance of the work among our people who are settled here. His addresses to the congregation were very impressive.

"We pray that the Master of the harvest may continue to bless the work that is being done here as well as in our dear Telugu country. Millions of Burmese are dying without Christ, while the Crucified and Risen Saviour is yearning to save them from ignorance, sin, and superstition, and while the grace of God has made me a partaker of the blessings of the glorious Gospel Christ. Shall we choose wealth, health, and position, and refuse to consecrate ourselves for the salvation of India and Burma?"

PART IV

The Japan Mission

MISSIONARIES

Rev. Frisby D. Smith, Tokyo.

Rev. Edward T. Horn, Jr., Kumamoto.

While the Rev. Edward T. Horn, Jr., has remained at Kumamoto to assist in the educational work of the mission of the United Synod as a

teacher of a number of English branches in the Kyushu Gakuin and to continue the study of Japanese, the Rev. Frisby D. Smith has lived and worked in Tokyo during the past two years. Believing that it was his duty to return to the United States with his wife to care for her invalid mother, Mr. Smith requested the Board to accept his resignation, so that they might come home. The Board felt that it would be disastrous for Mr. Smith to leave Tokyo, where he had just begun to do some effective work and where a native evangelist, Rev. Naomaru Yamanouchi had been located as his assistant; but agreed to the return of Mrs. Smith who reached Philadelphia on September 4, 1912. After Mrs. Smith had been with her mother for about seven months, Mr. Smith again resigned in order to join her and make such arrangements as might become advisable. The Board postponed action on the resignation and granted him a leave of absence from April 15th until some time in the fall of 1913, hoping that his family affairs might be adjusted so as to permit his return to Tokyo. Fortunately that has been done, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith are returning to continue their work in Japan.

Mr. Smith has furnished the following survey of the mission work in Japan as carried on in cooperation with the other Lutheran missions in that empire:

"The General Council missionaries in Japan began and have continued to labor in conjunction with their American brethren of the United Synod in the South and the Danish Missionary Society, who opened work in that country more than twenty years ago. Taken as a whole the work of our missions is more prosperous and promising than at any other time in its history. There are now nine ordained missionaries who reside in five different cities and have charge of eight congregations. The resident membership of these congregations will average between thirty and forty to each one, while the total number who have received baptism is considerably larger. The missions employ eight native evangelists, of whom two are ordained, in addition to Bible-women, kindergarten teachers and instructors in the school and Theological Seminary. The property which is owned includes three mission homes, three church buildings, the kindergarten at Saga, and the college at Kumamoto; the total value being more than $75,000.00. As yet, the General Council Mission does not hold any real estate.

"The Location of the Mission.—With the exception of the Tokyo station, all the work in Japan is carried on in the island of Kyushu in the southwestern part of the empire. Kyushu has a population of 10,000,000 and is regarded as the most needy field in the country. The island, however, holds a very prominent place in the history of the modern Christian movement. Kyushu is separated from the main island of Hondo by the very narrow straits of Shimonoseki, and is 700 miles from Tokyo. The train and steamship service between the two places is excellent.

"The Joint Conference.—The Joint Conference of Lutheran Missions cooperating in Japan, which was organized according to a plan agreed upon by the three Boards represented in its membership, meets annually,

and has control of all the evangelistic work. At every meeting each missionary renders a full report. A joint treasurer is elected who receives and disburses all funds used in the work of the three Boards. Rev. Charles L. Brown, D.D., is the president and Rev. Frisby D. Smith the secretary of the Joint Conference. Rev. A. J. Stirewalt is the treasurer in Japan.

"The Tokyo Station.—Tokyo is the capital city of Japan. Its population, which has already reached 2,150,000, is said to be increasing at the rate of 50,000 annually. Besides being the capital, Tokyo is the religious, intellectual and social center of Japan. Here may be found many churches and Christian schools of different denominations, yet there are fewer Christians here in proportion to the population than in the continent of Africa. Tokyo is the greatest student city in the world. Our work in Tokyo, which has been chiefly among the students, has made considerable progress during the past year. In August, 1912, a native preacher, the Rev. N. Yamanouchi, was transferred here from Kyushu. A house was rented which has served as a home for Pastor Yamanouchi, a chapel for divine service, and a dormitory for six students. This is situated in the neighborhood of the Imperial University and the First High School, and is within easy reach of students from these and other institutions. Regular Sunday services have been held in this house the average attendance being 12. The voluntary contributions of those attending average one yen (fifty cents) a Sunday. Since last summer about thirty young men have been reached and instructed. Nine have received the Lord's Supper, and two have been baptized. The dormitory has been a success, and it is hoped that a larger and more suitable house can be secured in the near future.

"Cooperation in the Kyushu Gakuin.—The Kyushu Gakuin is a boys' schools of the middle grade with an academic and a theological department. It is located in the city of Kumamoto, and was established by the United Synod in the South at a cost of about $50,000.00. Two years ago last April this school was opened with one hundred pupils after more than that number had been turned away. Now, at the beginning of the third year there are over three hundred on the roll. Six young men are in the theological department. During the past year forty boys enlisted in a volunteer Bible class, and at Easter half of them asked for baptism.

"It is in this school that our second missionary, the Rev. Edward T. Horn, Jr., has been stationed as a teacher. Rev. Mr. Horn arrived in Japan on November 3, 1911, and after a short residence in Tokyo, moved to Kumamoto.

"Thus does our cooperation in this important educational institution in addition to the work of the Joint Conference, give us cause for great encouragement. No one Board supports a large force of workers, but the combined strength of all three forms a Lutheran Mission which should be able to do most effective and permanent work for Christ in Japan."

Action of the Joint Conference.—At the meeting of the Joint Confer-

ence of Lutheran missions cooperating in Japan, held December 11 to 13, 1913, the following missions were represented:

United Synod: Rev. C. L. Brown, D.D., Kumamoto; Rev. C. K. Lippard, D.D., Saga; Rev. A. J. Stirewalt, Kumamoto; Rev. L. S. G. Miller, Hakata; Rev. C. W. Hepner, Tokyo.

Danish Synod: Rev. J. M. T. Winther, Kumamoto; Rev. J. P. Neilsen, Kurume.

General Council: Rev. Frisby D. Smith, Tokyo; Rev. Edward T. Horn, Jr., Kumamoto.

Among the important resolutions passed was one requesting the Boards to grant the Joint Conference the authority to ordain candidates to the Gospel ministry. The Conference decided to undertake the translation of a number of Lutheran books, inasmuch as, with the exception of the Book of Worship, the mere text of Luther's Catechism and the first 21 articles of the Augsburg Confession, there is as yet no Lutheran literature in the Japanese language.

Recommendations of Our Missionaries.—In February, 1913, our missionaries, Smith and Horn, submitted the following paper to the Board:

"For the sake of what we believe to be the best interests of our Board, which has declared itself to be seeking the closest possible cooperation with the missions of the United Synod and Danish Boards, according to the plans adopted; for the sake of the great benefits which we believe the full realization of such cooperation will bring to the Christian movement and to the Lutheran Church in the empire of Japan; and for the sake of making said cooperation still more practical and helpful as the work advances: We, the missionaries of the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, do respectfully make the following recommendations:

"1. That it be the purpose of our Board to establish and maintain a strong station in Tokyo, but not to regard this as the center of its Japan Mission. That one missionary be placed in charge of Tokyo, and that our future stations be opened and built up in that territory which is adjacent to the field of the United Synod and Danish Boards.

"2. That it be the purpose of our Board to be represented in the Faculty of the Kyushu Gakuin by at least one of its missionaries, and that this representation be regarded as a permanent object of the Board's work in Japan.

"3. That, if possible, our Board should undertake financial obligations in connection with the Kyushu Gakuin, thereby making the cooperation in that institution much more effective."

Resolutions of the Board Concerning Cooperation.—After this paper had been received the Board sought a conference with the representatives of the Board of the United Synod. The Rev. Robert C. Holland, D.D., President and General Secretary of that Board, and Mr. J. E. Cooper met the Executive Committee of our Board at the General Council Publication House in Philadelphia on May 27, 1913, and the following recommendations were made and afterwards adopted by our Board:

1. *Resolved,* That, having been assured that it would be agreeable to the Board of the United Synod, we recommend that the Board of the General Council maintain a professor at the Kyushu Gakuin in Kumamoto, and provide a house for him in the neighborhood of the school, the corporation (shadan) of the mission of the United Synod being willing to hold this property for our use.

2. *Resolved,* That the officers of the Board of the General Council be instructed to proceed at once to secure a site and erect a building at Kumamoto, the cost not to exceed the sum of $5,000.

3. *Resolved,* That the Board of the United Synod favoring the submission to our Board for our information, of an annual budget of school expenses, prepared by the mission in Japan, we recommend that we assist in the educational work by assuming a certain proportion of the running expenses of the Kyushu Gakuin.

4. *Resolved,* That we recommend a payment of $1,000.00 for the running expenses of this school during the second half of the year 1913, and at the close of the year the Board of the General Council be asked to consider the advisability of an appropriation of $2,000.00 for the year 1914 for this purpose.

5. *Resolved,* That our professor in the school report to us annually on the status and needs of the school.

6. *Resolved,* That it be deemed advisable for the Board of the General Council to continue to maintain a station at Tokyo and to gradually occupy the territory that lies between Tokyo and Shimonoseki.

7. *Resolved,* That a yearly conference between representatives of the Boards be held.

Besides the property to be secured in Kumamoto, a lot is to be purchased in Tokyo and a building will be erected on it to be used as a dwelling for our missionary, a dormitory for students, and a chapel.

Thus practical cooperation in the educational as well as in the evangelistic work of the missions in Japan is assured, and we confidently look forward to more rapid progress in the work of our own and the other two Lutheran missions in the Land of the Rising Sun.

For the sake of our larger opportunities in Japan, therefore, as well as for the sake of our growing Telugu Mission in India, we plead for an increase of prayers and contributions, and above all things in this present crisis, for more missionaries for the work which you have placed under the care and control of your Board of Foreign Missions.

PART V

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

July 1, 1911 to June 30, 1913

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1911		$17,928 17
Cash received as acknowledged in "The Foreign Missionary" and "Missionsbote":		
Ministerium of Penna.	$41,315 32	

Augustana Synod	35,421 26	
New York and New England Synod	12,329 98	
Pittsburgh Synod	10,728 47	
New York Ministerium	5,228 23	
District Synod of Ohio	2,325 26	
Canada Synod	2,311 71	
Synod of Northwest	2,033 77	
Chicago Synod	1,247 31	
Icelandic Synod	1,000 00	
Nova Scotia Synod	846 41	
Iowa Synod	510 62	
Manitoba Synod	500 00	
Synod of Central Canada	432 45	
Pacific Synod	203 06	
Porto Rico	22 31	
Miscellaneous	4,163 62	
W. M. Soc. G. C.	2,175 00	
Business Manager "Missionsbote"	1,099 72	
Surplus Missionsbote	300 00	
Hon. William H. Staake, Treas.	450 40	
Legacies	1,520 80	
Interest on Deposits	447 09	
Collection Gen. Coun. Meeting, 1911	148 76	
		$126,761 55
Total		$144,689 72

Disbursements

To the Treasurer in India by drafts to the order of the Chairman of the Executive Committee:	
General Expenses to Oct. 1, 1913	$37,740 00
Peddapur School Building	9,840 00
Bungalow and land at Peddapur	2,500 00
Sites for Caste Girls' Schools	2,175 00
Repairs to various buildings	2,197 15
Repairs Samulkot bungalow	1,625 00
Building operations Girls' Central School	1,000 00
Vacation expenses	941 66
Emergency fund	935 00
Jagampetta site	933 34
Boat for Tallipalligudem	900 00
Boat for Dowlaishwaram	860 00
Operating implements for Hospital	351 51
Freight charges to India	256 52
All India Conference	200 00
Printing Press (donation W. P. M. Braun)	200 00
Tablets for Hospital	178 25

House in Rangoon	140 00	
Well at Jagampetta	134 00	
School for Bible Women	80 00	
Horse for Dowlaishwaram District	80 00	
Two typewriters (donation of friend)	70 00	
Four iron safes	108 00	
Gift of American Tract Soc. for disseminating literature	50 00	
Gift transmitted to R. Razaina	5 00	
Sundry expenses	268 00	
		$63,768 43
Rev. R. Arps:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$2,162 50	
Children's allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	375 00	
Horse allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	80 00	
For Horse	80 00	
Expenses to America	268 00	
Expenses in America	229 91	
Expenses to India	701 00	
		$3,896 41
Rev. H. E. Isaacson, D.D.:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$2,275 00	
Children's allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	1,000 00	
Horse allowance	40 00	
Expenses to America	1,745 11	
Expenses in America	296 66	
		$5,356 77
Rev. C. F. Kuder:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$2,400 00	
Salary on account 4th quarter, 1913	10 00	
Children's allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	1,000 00	
Horse allowance	120 00	
Expenses to America	350 00	
Expenses in America	200 00	
		$4,080 00
Rev. E. Neudoerffer:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$2,400 00	
Horse allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	160 00	
Balance traveling expenses to India for party of six	1,708 05	
		$4,268 05
Rev. O. O. Eckardt:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$2,000 00	
Horse allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	160 00	
Balance due	13 55	
		$2,173 55

Rev. O. L. Larson:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$2,000 00	
Horse allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	200 00	
		$2,200 00
Rev. K. L. Wolters:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$1,600 00	
Horse allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	160 00	
		$1,760 00
Rev. O. V. Werner:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913		$1,400 00
Rev. F. W. Schaefer:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913		$1,200 00
Rev. A. Neudoerffer:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$1,127 90	
Outfit	100 00	
Expenses to India	300 00	
		$1,527 90
Rev. Iver F. Witting:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$633 33	
Outfit (two)	200 00	
Expenses in America	32 00	
Freight charges	17 02	
Expenses to India	750 00	
		$1,632 35
Rev. Thur Holmer:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$733 34	
Outfit (two)	200 00	
Expenses in America	19 50	
Expenses to India	606 00	
		$1,558 84
Lydia Woerner, M.D.:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$1,162 50	
Expenses to America	310 77	
		$1,473 27
Agnes I. Schade:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$1,400 00	
Horse allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	160 00	
		$1,560 00
Emilie Weiskotten:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913		$1,225 00
Amy Rohrer, M.D.:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913		$1,000 00
Betty Nilsson, M.D.:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$1,000 00	
Horse allowance to Oct. 1, 1913	100 00	
		$1,100 00

Sigrid Esberhn:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913		$1,000 00
Agatha Tatge:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913		$1,000 00
Margaret Haupt:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1912		$ 500 00
Mary Borthwick:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$ 437 49	
Outfit	100 00	
Expenses to India	277 92	
		$ 815 41
Mrs. G. Schmidt:		
Annuity to Oct. 1, 1913		$ 600 00

JAPAN

Rev. F. D. Smith:		
Salary to Oct. 1, 1913	$2,475 00	
Expenses to America	644 03	
Expenses in America	15 53	
Expenses for return to Japan	50 00	
		$3,184 41
Rev. E. T. Horn, Jr.:		
Salary to October 1, 1913	$2,300 00	
Outfit (two)	200 00	
Expenses in America	30 00	
Expenses to Japan	700 00	
		$3,230 00
Rents for missionaries (Japan)		1,247 50
Health allowance		275 00
Teachers' salaries		417 00
Expenses for mission		1,255 18
Rev. E. T. Horn, D.D.:		
Expenses to Chicago and Conf. for Miss. Boards		87 44
Rev. George Drach:		
Salary to Aug. 1, 1913	$3,949 95	
Expenses	721 35	
Cablegrams	18 87	
		$4,690 17
Rev. Carl Solomonson:		
Salary	$1,437 50	
Expenses	435 90	
		$1,873 40
James M. Snyder:		
Typewriting reports	$ 31 85	
Postage	20 12	
		$ 51 97

Rev. L. G. Abrahamson, D.D.:	
Expenses attending Board meetings	315 00
Rev. M. C. Ranseen, D. D.:	
Expenses attending Board meetings	40 00
Rev. G. Nelsenius, D.D.:	
Expenses attending Board meetings	4 72
Rev. C. T. Benze, D.D.:	
Expenses attending Bd. meeting and Conf. F. M. Boards	236 99
Rev. F. Jacobson, Ph.D.:	
Expenses attending Board meeting	24 20
Rev. P. J. O. Cornell:	
Expenses attending Board meetings	74 96
Rev. W. E. Frey:	
Expenses attending Board meetings	87 00
Rev. J. A. Weyl:	
Expenses attending Board meeting	24 25
Prof. C. W. Foss, Ph.D.:	
Expenses attending Board meetings	249 00
General Council Publication Board	1,311 69
Augustana Book Concern	160 30
Norristown Herald (Printing)	446 82
Interest on Keck Legacy	54 71
Renewal of Treasurer's Bond	15 00
Two code-books	10 00
Sundry expenses	286 71
Total	$124,749 40
Balance on hand July 1, 1913	$ 19,940 32
	$144,689 72

INVESTMENTS HELD BY TREASURER OF THE BOARD

William H. Trabert, Foundation (in trust)	$ 384 12
Swenson Legacy	605 00
Schlegelmilch Legacy	1,000 00
Weiskotten Memorial	2,045 00
Shunk Legacy	500 00

JAMES M. SNYDER, *Treasurer.*

We have audited the Treasurer's account and find the same correct.

ROBERT GASKELL,
R. C. G. BIELINSKI, *Auditing Committee.*

PART VI

Scholarships Supported

Because the lists of pupils in the Boys' and Girls' Central Schools have not been corrected up to date, inasmuch as the school year closes in June instead of in December as formerly, we are compelled to present the same lists as in our report last year, and whatever corrections may become necessary will be made in *"The Foreign Missionary."* Only the names of those patrons who have paid their scholarships at least in part during the past two years are published. If there are any mistakes they should be reported to the General Secretary.

BOYS' CENTRAL SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

(Thirty Dollars a Year)

1. Edla Israel ..... Rev. John Shunk Memorial Fund.
2. Betala Jeevaratnam ... Young Ladies' Bible Class, Holy Trinity, New York.
3. Addanki Prakasam .... Mr. and Mrs. F. Anderson, Cambridge, Mass.
4. Entapilli Anandam .... Mr. and Mrs. F. Anderson, Cambridge, Mass.
5. Battu Moses ..... Sunday-school, First Swedish, St. Peter, Minn.
6. Dylapalli Isaiah ..... Sunday-school, Holy Trinity, Buffalo, N. Y.
7. Adidela Bhooshanam ... Sunday-school, Friedens, Myerstown, Pa.
8. Kandavelli Moses ..... Woman's Missionary Society, Brush Creek, Pa.
9. Gummidi Isaac ..... Ladies' Aid, Salem, English, Minneapolis.
10. Jalluri Elisha ..... Luther League, Leechburg, Pa.
11. Badili Gabriel ..... Young Ladies' Sewing Circle, Clinton, Minn.
12. Potugolusu David ..... Sunday-school, New Windsor, Minn.
13. Gidla Israel ..... Boys' Helping Hand, Transfiguration, Pottstown, Pa.
14. Torta Devadanam ..... Needle Workers, Trinity, Norristown, Pa.
15. Verram Prakasam ..... Ladies' Mission League, Zion's, Wheeling, W. Va.
16. Mirtivada Isaac ..... Bethania, Nebraska.
17. Gummidi Sundararow .. Sunday-school, Bethel, Swedish, Chicago.
18. Jalluri Paul ..... Susan A. Nippes, Bustleton, Pa.
19. Pidakala Jesuratnam .. Reformation, Milwaukee, Wis.
20. Raya Samuel ..... Willing Workers, Great Centre, Iowa.
21. Betala Bhooshanam ... Misses Pleper, St. Stephen's Brooklyn, N. Y.
22. Lankapilli David ..... Mrs. G. W. Sandt, Nativity, Philadelphia.
23. Pidakala Jeevaratnam . Girls' Mission Society, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
24. Konala Cornelius ..... Aid Society, First Church, Columbus, O.
25. Balla Satyanandam .... J. B. Fagenburg, Oldsburg, Kansas.
26. Pidakala Joseph ..... First Swedish, Rock Island, Ill.
27. Taluri Sundararo ..... Swedish Church, Swedesburg, Nebraska.
28. Indri Mark ..... Misses Worley, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
29. Nitala Daniel ..... Mrs. David Garber, Allentown, Pa.
30. Mayalabattula Gamaliel. Miss A. Kaehler's Class, Trinity, Buffalo.
31. Paidi John ..... First Church, Warren, Pa.
32. Kattula Devadas ..... Boys' Mission Band, Emmanuel, Pottstown, Pa.
33. Sabbiti Moses ..... Sunday-school, First Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
34. Venumatla John ..... Foreign Mission Soc., Ljunghed, Albert City, Ia.
35. Balla Jeevaratnam .... Luther League, Trinity, Middlepoint, O.
36. Pitta Samuel ..... W. M. Soc., St. Michael's, Marshallsville, O.
37. Vipuri Frederick ..... Sunday-school, Transfiguration, Philadelphia.
38. Yerram Samuel ..... Sunday-school, Transfiguration, Pottstown, Pa.
39. Addanki Joseph ..... Swedish Church, Andover, Illinois.
40. Kunda Samuel ..... W. M. Soc., Salem, Lebanon, Pa.
41. Alerti Jeypaul ..... Luther League, Redeemer, Utica, N. Y.
42. Peetala Subhanami .... Ladies' Aid, Holy Trinity, Jeannette, Pa.
43. Deva David ..... Luther League, Christ's, West Newton, Pa.
44. Ethakota Prakasem ... W. M. Soc., Reformation, Rochester, N. Y.
45. Betala Sundararow .... Sunday-school, St. John's, Easton, Pa.
46. Bonku Jeevaratnam ... Young Women's Bible Class, Trinity, Buffalo.
47. Garrika Bhooshanam .. Mission Circle, Zion's, Erie, Pa.
48. Dolla Anandam ..... Zion's, Wilmington, Delaware.
49. Gedala Prakasam ..... Sunday-school, St. Michael's, Germantown, Phila.
50. Jevadi Sundararow .... Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Sadtler, Atchison, Kansas.
51. Gatala Samuel ..... H. J. Moyer, Pillow, Penna.
52. Kunchelapalli Abraham. E. M. Magnusson, Orion, Illinois.
53. Kandavalli Moses ..... John F. Jones, Chicago, Illinois.
54. Muppidi Anandam ..... Rev. C. O. Morland, Madrid, Iowa.
55. Matta Jeevaratnam ... Bible Class, St. John's, Erie, Pa.
56. Netala Anandam ..... Ladies' Aid, Assyria, Kansas.

57. Matti Daniel ..... Mrs. Mary K. Grafmueller, Epiphany, New York City.
58. Bedavala Solomon .....
59. Mylabattula Solomon ... Sunday-school, Salem, Swedish, Chicago.
60. Nitala Rajarow ..... Young People's Society, Advent, New York.
61. Nokku John ..... Louisa Grimm, Allentown, Penna.
62. Palaparti Jeevaratnam .. Augustana Women's Missionary Society.
63. Gidla Abraham .....
64. Irlaparti Samuel ..... Luther League, Bangor, Penna.
65. Pilli Charles .....
66. Palaparti Johann ..... Sewing Society, Brusby, Texas.
67. Pilli Samuel ..... Young People's Mission Soc., Zion's, Easton, Pa.
68. Pattem Francis ..... J. G. Lodin, Albert City, Iowa.
70. Torta Immanuel ..... Bethany Swedish, Axtell, Nebraska.
71. Pidakala Simon ..... Meriden-Southington Churches, Connecticut.
72. Poturazu Abraham ....
73. Potti David ..... H. C. Kionka, Chicago.
74. Erla Johann .....
75. Palaparti Devadanam . Sunday-school, Holy Trinity, Buffalo.
76. Veereli Jonathan ..... Confirmation Class, 1911, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
77. Pidakala Jesuratnem... S. S. Class, Mt. Zion, Pittsburgh, Pa.
78. Potti Arsivadam ..... W. M. Soc., St. Paul's, Mansfield, O.
79. Pilli Sundarshanam ..... Sunday-school, Manhed, Stanton, Iowa.
80. Pattem Abraham ..... Band of Mercy, St. John's, Erie, Pa.
81. Betala Solomon ..... Mrs. T. W. Boileau, Bustleton, Pa.
82. Bynapudi Samuel ..... Sunday-school, Emmanuel, Germantown, O.
83. Potti Srinavasam ..... Luther League, Ridgway, Penna.
84. Boosi Moses ..... Luther Memorial, Erie, Pa.
85. Pidakala Joseph ..... C. J. Blomberg Family, Albert City, Iowa.
86. Gangi Joseph ..... St. John's, Middle Lancaster, Ohio.
87. Pallivelli Samuel ..... Missionary Soc., St. Peter's, South Bethlehem, Pa.
88. Gosala Gabriel ..... Sunday-school St. Mark's, Pennsburg, Pa.
89. Kundru James ..... Sunday-school, Zion's, Treverton, Pa.
90. Balla Prabudas ..... Sunday-school, Ansgarius, Manistee, Mich.
91. Sodadasi Benjamin .... Sunday-school, Holy Communion, Philadelphia.
92. Taluri Joseph ..... Weiskotten Memorial Fund.
93. Geddam Rajarow ..... Luther League, Christ's, Pittsburgh, Pa.
94. Kakulaparti Luke ..... Luther League, St. Paul's, Lima, Ohio.
95. Tuluri Devasahayam ... Martha E. McCully, Trinity, Lancaster, Pa.
96. Tuluri Joseph, II ..... Luther League, Trinity, Norristown, Pa.
97. Gidla Samuel ..... Sunday-school, First Church, Greensburg, Pa.
98. Gope Jesuratnam ..... Mission Band, Trinity, Bangor, Pa.
99. Godi David ..... Sunday-school, St. Stephen's, Toledo, Ohio.
100. Kakara Bhooshanam ..
101. Penumaka Daniel .....
102. Monukonda Solomon .. Luther League, Holy Communion, Racine, Wis.
103. Podimi Samuel .....
104. Chedalada Simeon ..... G. C. Mission League, Monaca, Penna.
105. Rapake Simon ..... G. C. Mission League, Monaca, Penna.
106. Pilli Jacob ..... W. M. Society, Redeemer, Albany, N. Y.
107. Pilli Jeevaratnam .....
108. Marri Immanuel ..... J. H. Leippe, Trinity, Reading, Penna.
109. Sille Devasahayam .... Teachers Society, Meriden, Conn.
110. Godi Purushottam ..... J. H. Keppelman and others, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
111. Sheik Shelumiel ..... W. M. Society, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
112. Pitta Anandam ..... Dr. Richards and others, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
113. Chinnam Rajarow ..... W. S. Mohr, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
114. Namburi Paul ..... Miss Mohr and others, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
115. Dasi Daniel ..... Judge G. A. Endlich, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
116. Jinipi Abraham ..... A. R. Bard, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
117. Moses Ignatius ..... Bible Study Class, Augustana College, Rock Island.
118. Pidakala Prakasem .... Sunday-school, Trinity, Mt. Joy, Pa.
119. Potti Abraham ..... Mrs. H. S. Muhlenberg, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
120. Ganji Prakasem .....
121. Nakka Peter ..... John Mayer, Grace, Buffalo.
122. Namburi Luther .....
123. Gorda Anandam ..... Mission Circle, Swedish, Brockton, Mass.
124. Poonamallu Luke ..... Confirmation Class, Emmanuel Swedish, Minneapolis.
125. Buditi Shadrach ..... Sunday-school, St. Michael's, Sellersville, Pa.
126. Teli Matthew ..... A Widow, Ludington, Michigan.
127. Paduri Samuel ..... Luther League, Trinity, Phoenixville, Pa.
128. Taluri Samuel ..... First Church, Butler, Pa.
129. Erla Prakasem ..... Weiskotten Memorial Fund.
130. Karupotu Joseph ..... Sunday-schools, St. Paul's, New York City.
131. Patta Anandarow ..... Junior Mission Society, Trinity, Lancaster, Pa.
132. Gidla Samuel ..... Y. People's Society, Ljunghed, Albert City, Ia.
133. Mungamuri David .... Rev. H. J. Croushore, West Newton, Pa.
134. Irlaparti Immanuel .....
135. Taninka Sundararow ... Luther League, Parkers Prairie, Minn.

136. Mirtivada Daniel .....
137. Vara Moses ..... Weiskotten Memorial Fund.
138. Mogulapu Devadanam ..
139. Betala Samuel ..... Luther League, Trinity, Pottsville, Pa.
140. Peetala Raphael ..... Mrs. W. B. Grosh, Allentown, Pa.
141. Chindarada Jeevaratnam Mrs. P. Ermold, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
142. Jerti Swaminatham .... Sunday-schools, Franklin, Meadville, Penna.
143. Adidela James ..... Miss. A. Johnson, Immanuel, Swedish, Chicago.
144. Koleti Thomas ..... Miss J. Silbert, Immanuel, Swedish, Chicago.
145. Pokala Joseph ..... Holy Trinity, Rockville Center, New York.
146. Maddikonda Solomon ..
147. Mulla Venkataratnam ..
148. Vadlaparti Johann .....

GIRLS' CENTRAL SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

(Fifteen Dollars a Year)

1. Sirra Krupavati ..... Sunday-school, Zion's, Johnstown, Pa.
2. Podimi Kantama ..... Sunday-school, Zion's, Trevorton, Pa.
3. Adanki Shantamma ... Ladies' Aid, Milverton, Canada.
4. Ennapu Satyavati ..... Mrs. C. S. Heller, Binghamton, N. Y.
5. Bandi Ruth ..... W. M. Society, St. Michael's, Allentown, Pa.
6. Palaparti Gnanasundari. Sunday-school, Grace, Rock Island, Ill.
7. Penumala Gnanaratnamma ..... Mission Workers, St. John's, Philadelphia.
8. Notangi Prasadhamma. Class 52, Sunday-school, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
9. Madda Karuna ..... Sunday-school, First Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
10. Potumudi Chandravati.. Sewing Circle, Osceola, Nebraska.
11. Chinnam Varahala ..... Y. W. M. Soc., St. John's, Columbia, Pa.
12. Tota Annamma ..... Ladies' Aid, Courtland, Kansas.
13. Geddamu Martha ..... Confirmation Class, Immanuel Swedish, Minneapolis.
14. Jangam Krupparatnamma ..... Nellie Anderson, Albert City, Iowa.
15. Sarelli Kantamma .... Y. Ladies' Class, Sunday-school, Swedesburg, Iowa.
16. Gidla Paranjotamma .. Dorcas Circle, L. L., St. John's, Erie, Pa.
17. Terah Eatnamma ..... Mrs. Dinkey's S. S. Class, Reformation, Rochester, N. Y.
18. Geddamma Alice ..... W. M. Soc., Zion's, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
19. Velagapalli Suvaramma Sunday-school, Bethel, San Jose, Cal.
20. Nootampati Bhagyavati Mission Soc., Grace, Dunkirk, N. Y.
21. Sarapelli Martha ..... Miss Peter's Class, Grace, New York City.
22. Teli Manikiamma ..... Sunday-school, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
23. Padavala Shantamma . Earnest Workers, Redeemer, Albany, N. Y.
24. Gunnapu Paranjotamma Zion's, Lunenburg, Nova Scotia.
25. Potti Gnanasundari ..... Mrs. George Bateman, Norristown, Pa.
26. Uba Sundari ..... Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Olsson, Albert City, Iowa.
27. Maka Dinamma ..... Sunday-school, Grace, Newark, N. J.
28. Velagapalli Kempuratnamma ..... W. M. Soc., Advent, Lancaster, Pa.
29. Janga Manikiamma ... Class 54, Sunday-school, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
30. Sarelli Annamma ..... Mrs. Ellmacher per Kath. Hager, Lancaster, Pa.
31. Kunchepelli Shantamma First Church, Swedish, Rock Island, Ill.
32. Kollabattula Shantamma ..... The Misses Bauer, Allentown, Pa.
33. Edi Janamma ..... Ladies' Mission Soc., Kockley, Kansas.
34. Valagapalli Alice ..... Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee, Wis.
35. Chandramala Kantamma ..... Daughters of St. Luke's, Chicago.
36. Raya Jevaratnamma ... Junior League, Penns Station, Pa.
37. Tuluri Minnie ..... Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Anderson, Immanuel, Omaha, Neb.
38. Ridakala Eva ..... Dora Seaberg, Grace, Rock Island, Ill.
39. Ganta Dinamma ..... Sunday-school, Zion's, Johnstown, Pa.
40. Raya Gnanaratnamma.. Swedish Lutheran Church, Paxton, Ill.
41. Tota Annamma ..... Dorcas Circle, Luther League, St. John's, Erie, Pa.
42. Sade Kantamma ..... Junior League, Grace, Reading, Pa.
43. Vemuluri Mary ..... Dorcas Soc., Grace, Toledo, Ohio.
44. Boosa Manikiamma ... Junior League, Reading, Pa.
45. Kankelli Paranjotamma Lena Rasch, Zelienople, Pa.
46. Jetti Dinamma ..... Susan Hannah, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
47. Pidakala Sarah ..... King's Daughters, Trinity, Buffalo.
48. Matte Ratnamma ..... Mrs. J. J. Reutlinger, Resurrection, Phila.
49. Batinni Kempuratnamma ..... Mission Band, Dayton, Iowa.
50. Palaparti Chandrakantamma ..... Y. Ladies' Soc., St. Mark's, Phila.
51. Ennapu Ratnamma ... Miss Etta Fackinger, Summit, N. J.

52. Janga Annamma ..... S. F. Teleen, New York City.
53. Terah Kantamma ..... W. M. Soc., St. Paul's, Orwigsburg, Pa.
54. Godi Alice ..... Catechumens, Christ's, Hazelton, Pa.
55. Potumudi Kantamma .. Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee, Wis.
56. Nittala Margaret ..... Girls' Mission Band, Christ's, Hazelton, Pa.
57. Potla Kantamma ..... Swedish Church, Wakefield, Neb.
58. Gedamu Mary ..... W. M. Soc., Trinity, Danville, Pa.
59. Pidakala Shantamma .. Mrs. J. Lange, Grace, New York City.
60. Potti Sarah ..... Mrs. K. Gerhardt and Mrs. K. Jannenn Grace, N. Y.
61. Gidla Kantamma ..... Junior Workers, Grace, Youngstown, Ohio.
62. Tuluru S. Kantamma .. Miss L. Kline, Grace, New York.
63. Namabhaktula Annamma ..... Mission Soc., Advocate, Germantown, Phila.
64. Manukonda S. Kantamma ..... Junior Workers, Grace, Youngstown, Ohio.
65. Kanchelli Sundari ..... Luther League, St. Paul's, Morrisburg, Ont.
66. Rapaka Shantamma ... W. M. Soc., St. Michael's, Allentown, Pa.
67. Polumati Annamma ... Bible Class, Irving Park, Chicago.
68. Betala Dinamma ..... Junior Mission Soc., St. James, Reading, Pa.
69. Vemuluri Salome ..... Rev. O. Linke, Waterloo, Ont.
70. Ambati Sundaramma .. Girls' Mission Band, Christ's, Hazelton, Pa.
71. Uba Mary ..... Ten Friends, Chicago, Ill.
72. Ambati Gnanaratnamma Mrs. Gustav Johnson, Osage City, Kansas.
73. Mallipavulla Jemima .. Sunday-school Class, Grace, New York City.
74. Pulugu Mary ..... Sunday-school, Apostles', Philadelphia.
75. Chedalada Mary ..... Junior C. E. Soc., Robesonia, Pa.
76. Natangi Jemima ..... Earnest Workers, Redeemer, Albany, N. Y.
77. Rapaka Martha ..... Ladies' Society, Elizabethville, Pa.
78. Giddi Dinamma ..... Willing Workers, Red Oak, Iowa.
79. Collepelli Susanna ..... Mission Workers, St. John's, Phila.
80. Potella Annamma .... Luther League, Illinois Conference.
81. Palaparti Mary ..... Sunday-school, Luther Memorial, Erie, Pa.
82. Sandi Gnanaratnamma.. Sister Ida Buck, Epileptic Home, Rochester, Pa.
83. Rapaka Chandravati ... Miss Cornelius' Class, S. S., Trinity, Buffalo.
84. Nokke Sundari ..... Y. Women's Bible Class, Trinity, Buffalo.
85. Bikke Sarah ..... Sunday-school Class, Trinity, Buffalo.
86. Boda Julia ..... Mrs. Hoffman, St. John's, Philadelphia.
87. Ventabattini Kantamma Mrs. Hoffman, St. John's, Philadelphia.
88. Vinakota Kantamma .. L. League, St. Matthew's, Rose Bay, Nova Scotia.
89. Palaparti Sundaramma . Mission Band, St. Michael's, Allentown, Pa.
90. Tuluri Krupavati ..... L. League, St. Mark's, Rose Bay, Nova Scotia.
91. Kottepelli Kantamma .. W. M. Soc., St. Luke's, Allentown, Pa.
92. Mangamu Annamma ... Sisters Clara and Wilhelmina, Milwaukee, Wis.
93. Geddam Chandravati .. W. M. Soc., Transfiguration, Pottstown, Pa.
94. Gidla Karunamma ..... C. M. T., Immanuel, Chicago.
95. Erlapati Sunandahatamma ..... Linnea Society, Lake City, Ill.
96. Kollabattula Manikiamma ..... E. B. C., Swedish Church, Marathon, Iowa.
97. Vidyapu Alice ..... Sunday-school, First Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
98. Betampudi Kantamma.. Ladies' Aid, Courtland, Kansas.
99. Chinnam Ratnamma ... Sunday-school, Trinity, Mt. Joy, Pa.
100. Palaparti Kempuratnamma ..... Luther League, Zion's, Greensburg, Pa.
101. Kakarla Karuna ..... Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee, Wis.
102. Chedalada Miriam ..... Augustana Woman's Missionary Society.
103. Rapaka Shantamma ... Luther League, Dushore, Pa.
104. Dasi Shantamma ..... Sunday-school Salem, Rockford, Ill.
105. Redemelli Kantamma .. A. C. Thulin and H. James, Minneapolis, Minn.
106. Boosi Nellavati ..... Dorcas Society, Des Moines, Iowa.
107. Chintada Alice ..... Sunday-school, Holy Communion, Phila.
108. Addanki Margaret ..... Ladies' Society, First Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
109. Karkala Shantamma ... Mission Circle, Zion's, Erie, Pa.
110. Dolla Kantamma ..... Mission Circle, Grace, Rochester, New York.
111. Siddela Chilakamma ... Mission Circle, Grace, Rochester, New York.
112. Kolle Mary ..... Y. People's Society, Winburg, Pa.
113. Mommuduva Kempuratnamma ..... Mission Band, Jerusalem, Schwenksville, Pa.
114. Manukonda Ruth ..... Luther League, Vandalia, Ill.
115. Kollabattula Ratnamma ..... Temple Children, St. Peter's, North Wales, Pa.
116. Penumaka Sarah ..... W. M. Soc., Emmanuel, Pottstown, Pa.
117. Penumaka Susanna ... Swedish Church, Mead, Nebraska.
118. Madda Dinamma ..... St. Mark's, Boston, Mass.
119. Notangi Mary ..... Flora I. Heber, Redeemer, Utica, N. Y.
120. Bera Krupayati ..... W. M. Soc., St. John's, Auburn, Pa.
121. Madika Jessica ..... W. M. Soc., St. John's, Allentown, Pa.
122. Maka Kantamma ..... Industrial School, Advent, New York City.

123. Verravalli Sundari .... Mary A. Henrich, Trinity, Buffalo.
124. Geddamu Prasadham .. Dorcas Society, Des Moines, Iowa.
125. Namabhaktulu Martha. Salena Becker, Williamsburg, Ontario.
126. Katem Dinamma ..... Mrs. C. O. Morland's Class, Madrid, Iowa.
127. Mallipuvalla Anantamma ..... St. John's, Zanesville, Ohio.
128. Siddela Jemima ..... L. League, St. John's, Homestead, Pa
129. Addanki Mary ..... L. League, Omaha, Nebraska.
130. Nittala B. Chandravati
131. Devabarkina Dinamma. Mission Soc., Trinity, Lansford, Pa.
132. Taluri Alica ..... Girls' Mission Band, Christ's, Tinicum, Pa.
133. Jalluri Elizabeth ..... Y. Peoples' Soc., Swedish, Dahlsborg, S. Dak.
134. Nicodemus Naomi ..... Sunday-school, St. John's, E. Mauch Chunk, Pa.
135. Boosi Mary Magdalene. Florence Silver, Osage City, Kansas.
136. Palingi Martha ..... Girls' Mission Soc., Stanton, Iowa.
137. Paduri Shantamma .... Sunday-school, Resurrection, Phila.
138. Vepuri Victoria ..... Miss N. Lindquist, Rockford, Ill.
139. Kondipudi Dinamma .. First Church, Butler, Pa.
140. .....
141. .....
142. Pilli Kempuratnamma.. Mission Soc., Holy Communion, Harrisburg, Pa.
143. Pilli Shantamma ..... Rev. C. L. Warstler, Whitestone, Ind.
144. Polumuri Kantamma .. Golden Rule Class, Reformation, Rochester, N. Y.
145. Vemuluri Krupavati ... Mission Soc., St. Paul's, Dubois, Pa.
146. Malla battula Paranjotamma ..... Rev. Theo. Hartig, Strathcona, Alta., Can.
147. Manukonda Shantamma Mrs. J. Kelting, St. Matthew's, Toledo, O.
148. Manukonda Krupavati. Sewing Circle, Albert City, Iowa.
149. Potti Victoria ..... Harpster Mem. Soc., Albert Lea, Minn.
150. Polumuri Manikiamma.. Mrs. H. H. Peterson, Memorial, St. Paul, Minn.
151. Sodadasi Ratnamma .. Unity Church, Manor, Pa.
152. Andukuni Mary ..... L. League, St. John's, Allentown, Pa.
153. Sodadasi Devavati .... W. M. Soc., Selinsgrove, Pa.
154. Pidakala Alice ..... Girls' Foreign Mission Soc., Stanton, Iowa.
155. Betala Kamalaksham-ma ..... Girls' Foreign Mission Soc., Stanton, Iowa.
156. Podaparti Sarah ..... Messiah, English, Lindsborg, Kansas.
157. Pidakala Mary ..... Ladies' Bible Class, Trinity, Leesport, Pa.
158. Maylabattulu Krupavati L. League, St. Paul's, Lima, Ohio.
159. Nalli Karunamma ..... Mrs. L. Haupt, Philadelphia.
160. Sodadasi Chandrakantamma ..... Ladies' Mission Soc., Grace, Youngstown, Pa.
161. Madda Gnanaratnamma W. M. Soc., St. Mark's, South Bethlehem, Pa.
162. Pattem Kempuratnamma ..... Mrs. H. M. Bickel, Harrisburg, Pa.
163. Vemuluru Manikiamma. Sunday-school, St. Matthew's, Rose Bay, N. S.
164. Kakulaparti Karunamma ..... White Clover Soc., Christ's, Hazelton, Pa.

NATIVE WORKERS SUPPORTED

In the following list the names of the districts in which the native workers are employed, are abbreviated. Bh., stands for Bhimawaram district; Rj., for Rajahmundry; Dw., for Dowlaishwaram district; Ta., for Tallapudi district; Td., for Tadepallegudem district; Kr., for Korukonda district; Jg., for Jaggampetta district; Sk., for Samulkot district. These abbreviations are to be found directly after the name of each worker. Any mistakes in the list should be reported to the General Secretary.

1. Vagiri Benjamin, Bh., Teacher..... Women's Missionary Soc., Leechburg, Pa.
2. Vungara Sreeramalu, Ta., Catechist. Sunday-school, Ljunghed, Albert City, Ia.
3. Mangamuri Jesudas, Dw., Evang... Young Ladies' Soc., Scottdale, Pa.
4. Thota Samuel, Jg., Catechist..... Swedish Church, Lindsborg, Kansas.
5. Mallepu William, Dw., Evang..... Swedish Church, Vilas, Kansas.
6. P. Salome, Rj., Bible-woman..... Rev. and Mrs. Critchlow, Jamestown, N.Y.
7. Mogalapu Lazarus, Dw., Evang..... Clara Fichthorn, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
8. Vellugapalli Prakasem, Bh., Evang.. Luther League, Beaver Falls, Pa.
9. Pidakala Gamaliel, Bh., Teacher.... Ladies' Miss. Soc., Morrisburg, Ont.
10. Godi Paradesi, Bh., Catechist..... S. S., First Church, Galesburg, Ill.
11. K. Eliza, Rj., Bible-woman..... First Church, Platteville, Wis.
12. Pilli James, Bh., Evangelist..... L. League, Salem, Minneapolis.
13. Sandi Barnabas, Bh., Teacher..... New York Conference, Augustana Synod.
14. Battini John, Dw., Evangelist..... Wm. Benbow, Trinity, Buffalo.
15. Kandavalli David, Sk., Teacher....
16. Geddam Lazarus, Ta., Teacher..... Grace, Lancaster, Pa.
17. Pidakala Moses, Bh., Evangelist.... Emmanuel, Evanston, Ill.
18. Muppidi Samuel, Bh., Teacher..... Dorcas Soc., Cannon Falls, Minn.

19. Gidla Timothy, Sk., Teacher..... Augustana Woman's Miss. Society.
20. Matta Cornelius, Bh., Teacher..... Allentown Conf. Woman's Miss. Soc.
21. Pidakala Ezekiel, Bh., Teacher....
22. Karre Satyanandam, Bh., Teacher. Selma Nelson and Sarah Leander, Knoxville, Ill.
23. Patten Daniel, Bh., Teacher..... St. Mark's, Williamsport, Pa.
24. Alerti Lazarus, Bh., Teacher..... Y. People's Bible Class, Seattle, Wash.
25. Arigela Jacob, Td., Teacher.....
26. Pidakala Caleb, Bh., Evangelist.... Y. Men's B. C., Trinity, Buffalo.
27. Katam Jeremiah, Dw., Evangelist.. Sunday-school, Campella, Mass.
28. Potla Elisha, Td., Teacher.....
29. Raya David, Sk., Evangelist..... S. S., Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
30. Karre Moses, Sk., Evangelist..... Bible Class, Emmanuel, Chicago.
31. Raya Thomas, Dw., Evangelist.... Sunday-school, Emmanuel, Philadelphia.
32. Potti Aaron, Td., Evangelist.....
33. J. Anna, Dw., Bible-woman..... Mrs. & Miss Kate Sadtler, Baltimore, Md.
34. Jerriprolu John, Sk., Catechist..... L. Miss. Soc., Zion's, Rockford, Ill.
35. Jerti Jevaratnam, Sk., Teacher.... Bethany, Ishpeming, Mich.
36. Potti Stephen, Bh., Catechist..... A Member, Trinity, Lancaster, Pa.
37. Pidakala Samson, Bh., Teacher..... Mrs. C. H. Collin, Sand Lake, Wis.
38. Raya Samuel, Dw., Teacher..... S. S., Trinity, New Haven, Conn.
39. Nittala Philip, Jg., Catechist..... Y. People's Soc., Augustana, Minneapolis.
40. Vakapilli Prakasem, Sk., Evang.... Y. People's Soc., Augustana, Minneapolis.
41. Tarah Enoch, Sk., Evangelist.....
42. Taluni Shadrach, Bh., Teacher.... Class 57, S. S., Trinity, Reading, Pa.
43. Manda Nathaniel, Bh., Teacher.... John Bergman, Holdrege, Nebraska.
44. Edi James, Kr., Evangelist.....
45. Pidakala Barnabas, Bh., Teacher.. Fridhem Church, Funk, Nebraska.
46. Merupu Ameliamma, Rj., B.-woman. Alma, Swedish, Mead, Nebraska.
47. Ch. Kurunamma, Rj., B.-woman..... Dorcas Soc., Salemsburg, Kansas.
48. Dudala Isaac, Bh., Teacher..... E. Side L. L., Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
49. Monukonda Lazarus, Bh., Evang... M. Soc., L. Academy, Wahoo, Neb.
50. Vellagapalli Alfred, Bh., Evang.....
51. Potti Nathaniel, Bh., Teacher..... Y. P. Soc., St. John's, Rochester, N. Y.
52. Nittla Moses, Bh., Evangelist.....
53. Ella Job, Td., Evangelist..... S. S., Swedish, Knoxville, Ill.
54. Kandavalli Christian, Bh., Teacher. Frankean M. Soc., Muhlenberg College.
55. Gumpula Shadrach, Bh., Teacher... S. S., Trinity, Elgin, Ill.
56. Manukonda Jesudas, Bh., Teacher. Trinity, Galesburg, Ill.
57. Boosi Albert, Ta., Teacher..... Bible Class, Rev. E. Schuch, Chicago.
58. Gidla Rosanna, Sk., Teacher..... L. L., Galesburg Dist., Ill.
59. Gopala Samuel, Dw., Teacher..... B. C., Gethsemane, Seattle, Wash.
60. Tuluri Solomon, Dw., Evangelist.... Swedish Church, Chariton, Iowa.
61. Morampudi Daniel, Dw., Evangelist. Swede House Church, Nebraska.
62. Polumati Lazarus, Dw., Evang..... Busy Bee, Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
63. Kandavalli Daniel, Bh., Teacher... Mother and Sons, Lindsborg, Kan.
64. Pidakala Nathaniel, Bh., Teacher.. Luther League, Noxen, Pa.
65. Madikonda Daniel, Kr., Teacher.... L. League, St. Mark's, Minneapolis.
66. Devabarikini, Joseph, Bh., Tch..... Conf. Class, Emmanuel, Mankato, Minn.
67. Pilli Samuel, Bh., Evangelist.....
68. Raya Isaiah, Dw., Teacher..... Loyal Helpers, Zion's, Chicago.
69. Kandikatla Jonathan, Bh., Teacher. Emmanuel Swedish, Omaha, Neb.
70. Mylabattula Venkataratnam, Bh., T. A Friend, Hempstead, L. I., N. Y.
71. Jerti Kantamma, Sk., Teacher..... Emmanuel, Swedish, Chicago.
72. Terah Ruth, Sk., Teacher..... S. S., Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
73. Manukonda James, Bh., Teacher....
74. Bale Moses, Bh., Teacher..... A Member, Bethany, Lindsborg, Kan.
75. Raya Jacob, Dw., Teacher..... Junior League, St. John's, Miamisburg, O.
76. Adla Samuel, Dw., Teacher..... M. Soc., Salem, Bethlehem, Pa.
77. Kattula Johan, Dw., Teacher..... W. M. Soc., Kenosha, Wis.
78. Balla Anandam, Dw., Teacher..... W. M. Soc., Janesville, Wis.
79. Mogalapu Ratnamma, Dw., Teacher. Amanda Westling, Charlton, Iowa.
80. Patti Manikiam, Sk., Teacher..... Anna Westling, Chariton, Iowa.
81. Dandinga Ratnamma, Dw., Tch.... Alma Clay, Chariton, Iowa.
82. Nittala Shantamma, Kr., Teacher.. Ella Nelson, Chariton, Iowa.
83. Gummapu Kantamma, Dw., Tch.... R. E. Anderson, Charlton, Iowa.
84. Peetala Helena, Kr., Teacher..... English B. C., Chariton, Iowa.
85. Shelumiel Kantamma, Sk., Teacher S. S., Swedish, Knoxville, Ill.
86. Karre Manikiamma, Sk., Teacher.. Mr. and Mrs. Axel Norman, Swedesburg, Ia.
87. Nambala Paul, Bh., Teacher..... A. G. Nelson, Saskatchwan, Can.
88. Mogalapu Srinivasarow, Dw., Tch... Loyal Helpers, Wataga, Ill.
89. Balla C. Anandam, Dw., Teacher... St. Jacobus, Philadelphia.
90. Vemana Paradesi, Dw., Teacher.... B. C., Messiah, Austin, Chicago.
91. Ponuku Nathaniel, Bh., Teacher.... L. L., Seattle, Wash.
92. Balla Cyrus, Dw., Teacher..... Rev. H. C. Kline, Bethlehem, Pa.
93. Jerti Ratnamma, Sk., Teacher..... Swedish Church, Vilas, Kansas.
94. Jerti Isaiah, Sk., Teacher..... M. Soc., Christ's, Easton, Pa.

95.	Motakuri John, Sk., Teacher.....	Mrs. D. Askegaard, Comstock, Iowa.
96.	Namabatulu Prakasem, Kr., Evang..	Swedish Church, Swedeburg, Neb.
97.	Nela Isaac, Kr., Catechist.....	Y. L. Soc., Trinity, Swedish, Chicago.
98.	Pattu Buliah, Sk., Teacher.....	Mr. E. W. Myers, Bethlehem Swedish, Chicago.
99.	Tuluri Cornelius, Sk., Teacher.....	S. S., Trinity English, Minneapolis.
100.	Pilli Mark, Td., Teacher.....	S. S., Trinity English, Minneapolis.
101.	Produkku Johan, Dw., Teacher.....	Ladies' Soc., Zion's, Greensburg, Pa.
102.	Mylabatulla Meshech, Td., Teacher.	Ladies' Soc., Zion's, Greensburg, Pa.
103.	Tota Ruth Joseph, Rj.,.....	Epiphany, Manayunk, Philadelphia.
104.	Madekonda Anna, Dw., Teacher....	Mrs. Peter Nelson, Chariton, Iowa.
105.	Mallepu Sunderamma, Dw., Tch.....	A. Lundgren, Chariton, Iowa.
106.	Kolerti John, Td., Teacher.....	Rev. J. O. Glenn, Irwin, Pa.
107.	Lankapalli Jacob, Td., Teacher....	
108.	N. Deborah, Rj., Bible-woman....	W. M. Soc., Trinity, Carrollton, O.
109.	Rapaka Isaac, Td., Evangelist.....	Primary S. S., Trinity, Reading, Pa.
110.	Mylabattula Peter, Td., Teacher...	Zion's, Swedish, Philadelphia.
111.	Eilakota John, Td., Teacher.....	S. S., Zion's, Harolds, Pa.
112.	Gollapalli Jesudas, Rj., Teacher...	
113.	Nutangi Prakasem, Ta., Teacher...	
114.	Bundilla Nathaniel, Td., Teacher..	Jun. L. L., Grace, Youngstown, O.
115.	Bundilla James, Td., Teacher.....	E. S. S. Assn., St. John's, Buffalo.
116.	Namburi Devadanam, Td., Teacher.	E. S. S. Assn., St. John's, Buffalo.
117.	Alarmuri Shadrach, Td., Teacher..	
118.	Teli Joseph, Td., Teacher.....	Ladies' Society, Fremont, Kansas.
119.	Chinnamu Anandayya, Jg., Catech..	L. M. Soc., Cambridge, Ill.
120.	Penumaka Dwarkadas, Ta., Evang..	J. B. C., Zion's, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
121.	Pattula Benjamin, Td., Evang.....	Miss. Soc., St. John's, Buffalo.
122.	Potla Daniel, Td., Teacher.....	Miss. Soc., St. John's, Buffalo.
123.	Chitti Cornelius, Bh., Teacher.....	Bethlehem Swedish, Chicago.
124.	Chitturi Andrew, Bh., Teacher....	Martha Heinecke, Oshkosh, Wis.
125.	Geddam Jeevaratnam, Ta., Catech..	First Swedish, Rock Island, Ill.
126.	Vemuluri Jacob, Ta., Teacher.....	
127.	Gandi Stellamma, Ta., Teacher....	C. Class, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
128.	Pantala Huldamma, Ta., Teacher...	Ladies' Aid, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
129.	Boosi Marthamma, Ta., Teacher...	Aug. Woman's Missionary Society.
130.	Chintala Veereswami, Dw., Evang...	
131.	Nalli Thomas, Dw., Evangelist.....	
132.	Irlaparti Johan, Dw., Evangelist....	
133.	J. Franklin William, Dw., Teacher.	Luther League, Monaca, Pa.
134.	Godi Sadhuru, Bh., Teacher.....	Church Council, Atonement, Buffalo.
135.	Konala Prakasem, Bh., Teacher....	Church Council, Atonement, Buffalo.
136.	Mylabattula Martin, Bh., Catechist.	Boys' League, Bethlehem, Phila.
137.	Jerruprolu Jacob, Jg., Catechist....	S. S., St. James', Reading, Pa.
138.	Betala Peter, Bh., Catechist.....	Ladies' Soc., Monmouth, Ill.
139.	Manukonda Matthew, Bh., Teacher.	Ladies' Soc., Monmouth, Ill.
140.	Vipparti Prakasem, Bh., Teacher..	Mrs. J. W. Felty, St. Paul's, Hartford, Conn.
141.	Raya Annamma, Rj., B.-woman....	W. M. Soc., St. John's, Duluth, Minn.
142.	Potturazu Sadhuvu, Bh., Teacher..	S. S. Assn., W. Chicago Dist., Ill.
143.	Gope Meshech, Bh., Evangelist....	W. M. Soc., Mulberry, Ind.
144.	Dylapalli Annamma, Ta., B.-woman.	W. M. Soc., Mulberry, Ind.
145.	Kattragedda Shadrach, Bh., Tch...	For. Miss. Soc., Keokuk, Ia.
146.	Taluri Meshech, Bh., Teacher.....	Mission Class, Ottumwa, Iowa.
147.	Kusimi Abraham, Bh., Colporteur..	Mission Class, Ottumwa, Iowa.
148.	Yerragapati David, Bh., Teacher...	W. M. Soc., Trinity, Rochester, N. Y.
149.	Addanki Samuel, Bh., Teacher.....	Luther League, Salemsburg, Kan.
150.	B. Sarah, Dw., Bible-woman.....	Three Sisters, Salemsburg, Kan.
151.	Vunamattla Mark, Bh., Teacher...	Class 5, St. Peter's, Lancaster, O.
152.	Nelaparti Benjamin, Bh., Teacher..	Rev. Carl Betz, Rochester, N. Y.
153.	Lankapalli Lazarus, Td., Teacher..	Messiah, Lindsborg, Kansas.
154.	Vardanapu Joseph, Bh., Teacher...	W. M. Soc., Preston, Ont.
155.	Akuluri Joseph, Bh., Teacher.....	A. C. Thulin, Minneapolis.
156.	Vipparti Venkataratnam, Bh., Tch..	
157.	Boosi Bhushanam, Bh., Evang.....	Martha Society, Essex, Iowa.
158.	P. Venkataratnam, Sk., Pastor.....	Mrs. Catharine Rommel, Philadelphia.
159.	Gandi Paul, Bh., Teacher.....	Swedish Church, Cambridge, Mass.
160.	Madapati David, Bh., Teacher.....	
161.	Vardhanapu Andrew, Bh., Teacher.	J. H. Larson, Sioux City, Iowa.
162.	Pidakala Mariamma, Bh., Teacher..	Swedish Church, Geneseo, Ill.
163.	Alamuri C. Mariamma, Td., Tch...	L. L., Galesburg District, Ill.
164.	Manda Bhushanam, Bh., Teacher..	Swedish Church, Paxton, Ill.
165.	Mannerti Krupavati, Bh., Teacher..	Concordia, Buffalo.
166.	Alamuri Paul, Bh., Teacher.....	Concordia, Buffalo.
167.	Gedala Alfred, Bh., Teacher.....	Emily K. Dietz, Philadelphia.
168.	Kandikatla, Agnes, Bh., Teacher..	Bible Students, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
169.	Ravva Dinamma, Sk., Teacher.....	W. M. Soc., Delmont, Pa.
170.	Yerragaparti Sadhuru, Bh., Tch.....	S. S., Pontiac, R. I.

171. Manukonda James, Bh., Teacher... S. S., Sioux City, Iowa.
172. Sandi Barnabas, Bh., Teacher..... V. A. Swan, Sioux City, Iowa.
173. Andukuri Booshanam, Bh., Teacher. Mrs. Susan Noller, Newburg, N. Y.
174. Palaparti Devadanam, Bh., Tch.... Ladies' M. Soc., Emmanuel, Bellevue, Pa.
175. Potti Nathaniel, Bh., Teacher..... Dorcas Soc., St. Paul's, Redwood, N. Y.
176. Gutla Joseph, Bh., Teacher..... Y. M. Class, Trinity, Rochester, N. Y.
177. Namburi Stephen, Td., Teacher.... S. S., Ascension, Mt. Airy, Phila.
178. Pantagani Estheramma, Td., Tch... Three Sisters, Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee.
179. Teli C. Krupadam, Td., Teacher... S. S., Fair Haven, Mulberry, Ind.
180. Potti David, Td., Teacher..... W. M. Soc., Mahoning, N. Lima, Ohio.
181. P. Swami, Dw., Evangelist..... Ladies' Aid, First Swedish, Duluth Minn.
182. B. Tatayya, Dw., Evangelist..... Bethany Swedish, Duluth, Minn.
183. Kolli Peter, Td., Evangelist..... Bethany Swedish, Duluth, Minn.
184. Raya Annamma, Rj., B.-woman.... Mrs. O. A. Oredson, Bethany, Duluth, Minn.
185. Teli P. Krupadanam, Td., Teacher. Rev. Carl Solomonson, Minneapolis.
186. Kandikatla Joshua, Bh., Teacher..
187. Ch. Sundaramma, Rj., Bible-woman. Ladies' Aid, Spring Lake, Minn.
188. Pantagani Gabriel, Td., Teacher.... L. L., First Church, St. Peter, Minn.
189. Pitta Samson, Td., Teacher..... Ladies' Aid, Elim, W. Duluth, Minn.
190. Gangi Jacob, Td., Teacher..... Ladies' Aid, Midway, Minn.
191. Raya Ruth, Dw., Teacher..... St. Mark's, Toledo, Ohio.
192. Gollapalli Nathan, Td., Teacher.... Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson, Albert City, Ia.
193. Chilli Mark, Kr., Teacher..... S. S., Brockton, Mass.
194. Motakuri Mary, Sk., Teacher..... Bethesda Church, Moorhead, Minn.
195. Kottagundla Cornelius, Kr., Tch... Sunday-school, Dekalb, Ill.
196. Penumaka Peter, Ta., Evangelist.. W. Martensen, New Gottland, Kansas.
197. Manukonda Sadhuru, Bh., Teacher. S. S., Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wis.
198. Lankapalli Benjamin, Bh., Teacher. Miss. Soc., Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wis.
199. Veerali Abel, Dw., Teacher..... Y. L. Sewing Soc., Red River, Miss.
200. Penumaka Jeevaratnam, Ta., Tch...
201. Paduri Prakasem, Dw., Teacher.... Mr. H. S. Bissey, Perkasie, Pa.
202. Kandivalli Juliamma, Sk., Tch..... L. Soc., Dresser Jct., Wis.
203. Kandavalli Isaac, Sk., Teacher.... Rev. A. W. Lindquist, Kansas City, Mo.
204. Nathanaparthi Manikiamma, Sk.,T. Nels Magnusson, Salemsburg, Kan.
205. Pilli Mark, Sk., Teacher..... Miss. Soc., St. John's, Albany, N. Y.
206. Nathanaparthi Johan, Sk., Tch..... Sunday-school, Madison, Wis.
207. Nathanaparthi Shantamma, Sk., T.. Misses Lindh, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
208. Nathanaparthi Sariyakantamma, Sk. Teacher ..... Miss Minnie Borg, Emmanuel, Minneapolis.
209. Jerti Sichamani, Sk., Teacher..... Ladies' Soc., Hamilton, Ontario.
210. Gangi David, Td., Teacher..... Sewing School, Trinity, Reading, Pa.
211. Chikkili Joseph, Bh., Evangelist.... Mr. Elof Johnson, Bridgeport, Conn.
212. Nambattula Satyavati, Kr., B.-w... S. S., Zion's, Bock, Minn.
213. Palaparti Nathanael, Bh., Evang... Mrs. Ida Strom, Clifton, Kan.
214. Sodadasi Daniel, Bh., Teacher..... L. League, Grace, Toledo, O.
215. Pidakala Jeevaratnam, Bh., Tch... S. S., Reformation, Milwaukee.
216. Talluri Jesudas, Dw., Tch..... Mr. W. S. Wise, Meadville, Pa.
217. Garrikamukkala Jacob, Bh., Tch... W. M. Soc., New Stanton, Pa.
218. Dasari Judah, Bh., Teacher..... A Member, Trinity, Rochester, N. Y.
219. Bhuparti Matthew, Bh., Teacher... A Member, Ascension, Mt. Airy, Phila.
220. Gandi Sadhuvu, Ta., Evangelist.... Martha Soc., Essex, Iowa.
221. Dylapalli C. Bramiah, Ta., Evang.. S. S., First Swedish, Moline, Ill.
222. Beera Tatayya, Dw., Evangelist.... Rev. F. Kummer, Scranton, Pa.
223. Vemuluri Joseph, Dw., Teacher....
224. K. Mary, Rj., Bible-woman..... W. M. Soc., Nova Scotia Synod.
225. Dolla Samuel, Dw., Teacher..... J. A. Copeland, Jewett, Ohio.

PART VII. Statistical Exhibit for 1912

No.	District.	1912.	Christian Pupils.			Non-Christian Pupils.			Grand Total.	Increase in 1912.	Buildings.					Marriages.	
		No. of Schools.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.			Bungalows.	Churches.	Prayer-school Houses.	Teachers' Houses.	Hospitals. and Hostels.	1911.	1912.
1	St. Paul's, Rajahmundry	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	1	.....	1	....	5	1
2	Bhimawaram District	84	740	530	1270	599	250	849	2119	103	1	1	75	9	....	78	81
3	Dowlaishwaram	38	311	198	509	514	102	616	1125	191	1	3	38	19	....	8	21
4	Jaggampet District	11	34	24	58	144	66	210	268	91	1	....	11	7	....	4	3
5	Korukonda District	13	58	18	72	165	54	219	291	100	....	....	10	8	....	.....	.....
6	Samulkot District	17	32	21	53	175	86	261	314	....	1	1	8	6	....	3	3
7	Tadepalligudem District	24	138	79	217	200	89	289	506	23	1	2	16	9	....	12	30
8	Tallapudi District	26	92	70	162	308	110	418	580	24	1	1	26	22	....	8	6
9	Boys' Central School	1	162	1	163	4	.....	4	167	5	1	....	1	1	1	.....	.....
10	Girls' Central School	1	3	186	189	1	7	8	197	8	1	....	1	1	2	.....	.....
11	Hindu Girls' Schools	6	3	12	15	.....	351	351	366	16	1	....	3	....	....	.....	.....
12	Medical Work	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	....	.....	....	1	.....	.....
13	Zenana Work	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
14	Peddapur High School	1	22	.....	22	446	.....	446	468	18	1	....	2	....	....	.....	.....
15	Training School	1	90	1	91	67	.....	67	158	....	....	....	1	2	....	.....	.....
	Totals	223	1681	1140	2821	2623	1115	3738	6559	579	12	9	192	85	4	118	145

Statistical Exhibit for 1912 (Continued)

No.	District	Sunday-schools.			Native Workers in 1912.						Increase in 1912.	Foreign Missionaries in 1912			Benevolence.		Other Cash Receipts.	
		Number.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Pastors.	Catechists.	Evangelists.	School Teachers.	Bible Women.	Total.		Ordained.	Woman Missionaries.	Wives of Missionaries.	1911	1912	1911	1912
															Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
1	St. Paul's, Rajahmundry	1	25	400	1	...	...	....	...	1	...	2		1	822- 2-11	1267- 4- 1	.....	.....
2	Bhimawaram District	75	85	2300	...	15	...	98	4	117	13	1	...	1	650- 0- 0	750- 0- 0	2240- 0- 0	2350- 0- 0
3	Dowlaishwaram District	1	2	65	...	1	18	40	2	61	7	1	...	1	521- 6-11	863- 4- 0	1297- 2- 0	1181- 0- 0
4	Jaggampet District	11	13	268	...	1	10	15	5	31	9	1	...	1	100- 8- 4	268- 8- 4	300- 5- 0	303- 0- 0
5	Korukonda District	13	14	291	1	1	2	15	5	24	4	...	...	...	91- 1- 0	252- 6- 8	295- 5- 0	303- 0- 0
6	Samulkot District	13	15	225	...	1	7	20	1	29	1	1	...	1	161- 5- 5	232- 0- 9	682- 0- 0	682- 0- 0
7	Tadepalligudem District	16	18	417	...	...	7	31	...	38	2	1	...	...	254- 1- 3	351- 2- 3	805- 0- 0	704- 0- 0
8	Tallapudi District	29	32	587	...	1	7	31	1	40	3	1	...	1	312-12- 6	417-11- 7	917-10- 0	877-10- 0
9	Boys' Central School	....	....	.....	...	...	...	9	...	9	2	1	...	1	.....	.....	695-10- 3	1983- 5- 2
10	Girls' Central School	....	....	.....	...	...	...	5	...	5	1	...	1	...	.....	.....	511- 8- 0	499-10- 9
11	Hindu Girls' Schools	6	18	260	...	...	...	12	...	12	...	...	1	...	80- 4- 0	.....	590- 0- 0	721-15-11
12	Medical Work	1	4	60	...	...	...	....	1	1	...	...	4	...	60- 2- 6	455- 0- 0	3041- 8- 9	4825-15- 6
13	Zenana Work	1	3	30	...	...	...	....	7	7	...	...	3	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	Peddapur High School	....	....	.....	1	...	...	26	...	27	4	2	...	1	.....	.....	9473- 9- 5	11213- 0- 0
15	Training School	....	....	.....	...	...	...	9	...	9	...	1	...	...	.....	.....	6251- 5- 5	6044- 0- 0
	Totals	167	229	4903	3	20	51	311	26	411	48	12	9	8	3053-12-10	4859- 5- 8	27100-15-10	31698- 9- 4

STATISTICS OF THE AMERICAN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN MISSION (GENERAL COUNCIL), RAJAHMUNDRY, 1911-1912.

No.	District	Membership at close of 1910.				Additions in 1911.					Losses in 1911			Net Increase 1911	Additions in 1912.					Losses in 1912			Net Gain or Loss 1912.	Net Gain Two Years.
		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	By Baptism Adults.	By Baptism Children.	By Baptism Total.	Otherwise.	Grand Total.	By Death	Otherwise.	Total.		By Baptism. Adults.	By Baptism. Children	By Baptism. Total.	Otherwise.	Grand Total.	By Death.	Otherwise.	Total.		
1	St. Paul's, Rajahmundry	133	129	115	377	7	12	19	2	21	10	...	10	11	11	18	29	1	30	13	1	14	+ 16	27
2	Bhimawaram District	2792	2681	4194	9667	187	337	524	...	524	50	24	74	450	419	615	1034	...	1034	76	12	88	+ 906	1356
3	Dowlaishwaram District	901	675	716	2292	45	40	85	...	85	16	10	26	59	42	17	59	...	59	39	....	39	+ 20	79
4	Jaggampet District	90	77	102	269	51	36	87	12	99	6	...	6	93	134	105	239	5	244	13	9	22	+ 222	315
5	Korukonda District	110	84	140	334	44	23	67	34	101	11	...	11	90	77	66	143	...	143	11	10	21	+ 122	212
6	Samulkot District	464	380	470	1314	147	10	157	...	157	2	...	2	155	23	19	42	5	47	23	50	73	— 26	129
7	Tadepalligudem District	392	377	641	1410	66	45	111	7	118	37	23	60	58	90	93	183	3	186	39	43	82	+ 102	160
8	Tallapudi District	408	384	499	1291	136	123	259	...	259	27	11	38	221	65	85	150	...	150	38	14	52	+ 98	319
	Totals	5290	4787	6367	16954	683	626	1309	51	1364	159	52	227	1137	801	1018	1879	14	1893	252	139	391	+1526	2797

No.	District	Villages Having Christians and Inquirers			Congregations			Communicants.			Inquirers.	Membership at close of 1912.			
		No. in 1911.	No. in 1912.	Gain or Loss.	No. in 1911.	No. in 1912.	Gain or Loss.	No. in 1911.	No. in 1912.	Gain or Loss.		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
1	St. Paul's, Rajahmundry	1	1	.....	1	1	.....	267	378	+ 111	12	210	162	384	756
2	Bhimawaram District	120	129	+ 9	101	117	16	5469	5470	+ 1	800	2969	2927	4953	10849
3	Dowlaishwaram District	116	114	— 2	96	94	— 2	1601	1695	+ 94	600	928	699	774	2401
4	Jaggampet District	26	46	+ 20	10	13	3	100	467	+ 367	200	287	180	351	818
5	Korukonda District	34	43	+ 9	11	12	1	125	364	+ 239	150	206	158	212	516
6	Samulkot District	64	56	— 8	31	15	— 16	1025	645	— 380	178	408	237	254	899
7	Tadepalligudem District	46	59	+ 13	28	27	— 1	700	800	+ 100	213	412	448	609	1469
8	Tallapudi District	114	129	+ 15	33	35	2	925	966	+ 41	725	493	473	643	1609
	Totals	521	577	+ 56	311	314	3	10292	10845	+ 573	2878	5913	5284	8180	19377

PART VIII

Recommendations

1. *Resolved,* That we humbly and gratefully acknowledge the promised presence and blessing of our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ, in the developing work of our missions in India and Japan, and in the increasing amount of contributions for foreign missions.

2. *Resolved,* That we will continue to pray and work for the spread of the Gospel and the extension of the kingdom of Christ unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

3. *Resolved,* That we will urge our young men and women to heed the call of the Lord and prepare themselves for His service in our foreign mission fields.

4. *Resolved,* That our Theological Seminaries and Colleges and all pastors be requested to direct the attention of the Board of Foreign Missions to young men and women who are willing to consider service in our missions, and who have the necessary qualifications for this work.

5. *Resolved,* That we will seek to cultivate the study of missions in our congregations, societies, schools and homes, and urge our people to inform themselves on the progress of the kingdom of Christ throughout the world, and, especially, on the work of our missions. To this end we urge, particularly, the reading of our papers *"The Foreign Missionary,"* and *"Missionsbote,"* and the literature published by the Board of Foreign Missions.

6. *Resolved,* That we urge our pastors and congregations to continue to devote the season of Epiphany to the presentation, in sermons and addresses, of the great cause of carrying the Gospel into all the non-Christian world, and, in particular, of our own share in this work; and that every member of every congregation, children as well as adults, be approached and given opportunity to make regular contributions for this cause, either in systematic offerings through envelopes supplied by the congregation or by the use of the envelopes furnished by the Board, in order that we may do our full share of work for the conversion of the heathen.

7. *Resolved,* That we express our appreciation of the work done by our missionaries in our Telugu and Japan Missions, and ask our heavenly Father through Jesus Christ to continue to bless their efforts.

8. *Resolved,* That we express our appreciation of the faithfulness of our missionary, the Rev. C. F. Kuder, whose second term of service has ended, and of the efficiency of his work in Rajahmundry during the past five years.

9. *Resolved,* That we express our appreciation of the interest and effort of our women's missionary societies on behalf of the woman's work in our missions, request the Women's Missionary Society of the General Council to report biennially on its work for foreign missions through the Board of Foreign Missions, and make it a standing rule that the recommendations of the Society concerning this work shall pass through the hands of the Board of Foreign Missions.

10. *Resolved,* That the Rules and Regulations of the Telugu Mission, adopted provisionally at the convention of the General Council in 1909,

be now finally adopted as then presented, and that the Board of Foreign Missions be authorized to make such amendments as may from time to time become necessary.

11. *Resolved,* That we approve the resolution adopted by representatives of the Lutheran missions in India, namely, that the All-India Lutheran Conference become a permanent body; but the details of its organization should depend upon the further action of the Boards concerned. In reference to cooperation in this Conference, as well as to the Joint Theological Seminary proposed for all Lutheran missions in India, the General Council advises, as precedent to all action on the subject, an amendment to the Confessional Statement, to wit, the acceptance of the Old and New Testaments as the infallible Rule of Faith and practice, the adoption of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession and the Small Catechism of Luther as the statement of our faith, and the recognition of the other Confessions contained in the Book of Concord as a correct answer to the questions which arose concerning the faith in the Lutheran Church after the adoption of the Augsburg Confession.

The Board of Foreign Missions is hereby authorized to correspond with the other Boards concerned, and upon the approval of our suggestions by all the other Boards or a number of them, to proceed to the consideration of the further propositions of the All-India Lutheran Conference.

12. *Resolved,* That we rejoice in the proposed cooperation of all Lutheran missions in Japan in educational as well as evangelistic work, and encourage the Board of Foreign Missions to carry out the plans suggested concerning our relation to the school in Kumamoto, the retention of Tokyo as a station, and the gradual occupation of territory lying between Tokyo and the southern shore of the main island, Hondo, as the mission field of the General Council in Japan.

13. *Resolved,* That the sum of $90,000.00 a year be apportioned for Foreign mission work during the coming biennium, to be divided as follows:

Pennsylvania Ministerium, per annum	$28,000
Augustana Synod, per annum	24,500
New York & New England Synod, per annum	8,500
New York Ministerium, per annum	6,900
Pittsburgh Synod, per annum	6,500
Canada Synod, per annum	2,900
District Synod of Ohio, per annum	2,900
English Synod of the Northwest, per annum	2,800
Chicago Synod, per annum	1,600
Pacific Synod, per annum	1,200
Nova Scotia Synod, per annum	500
Manitoba Synod, per annum	400
Synod of Central Canada, per annum	300
Other sources, per annum	3,000
Total	$90,000

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE DRACH, *Eng. Rec. Secretary.*

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS,
EDWARD T. HORN, *President.*

ACTION ON THE FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

On motion,

Resolved, That during the discussion of the Foreign Mission Report, the privilege of the floor be granted to the Rev. C. F. Kuder, of Rajahmundry, India, and the Rev. Frisby D. Smith, of Tokyo, Japan.

After a reference of the appropriations to the Budget Committee, the Report, with its recommendations, including the insertion of the words "concerning the faith" and "to correspond with the other Boards concerned and" was adopted as given above.

In the Fifth Session the following were elected as members of the

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Term Ends 1917

Rev. Prof. Edward T. Horn, D.D., LL.D.
Rev. Reinhold C. G. Bielinski.
Rev. P. J. O. Cornell.
Rev. C. Armand Miller, D.D.
Rev. S. G. Youngert, D.D.
Prof. Claude W. Foss, Ph.D.
Mr. William F. Monroe.
Mr. James M. Snyder.

Unexpired term ending 1915

Rev. John A. Weyl.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSION RULES

In view of the prosperous and peaceful condition of affairs existing in our Foreign Mission Field in India, your Committee does not deem it advisable to make any revison or changes in the rules at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. Ziegenfuss,
H. E. Jacobs,
Edward T. Horn,
R. C. G. Bielinski,
Jas. M. Snyder,
Frank D. Bittner,
W. D. C. Keiter,
Alfred Appell,
L. G. Abrahamson,
C. W. Foss, *Committee.*

The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Adjourned, with prayer by the Rev. C. O. Morland.

THIRD SESSION

Friday, September 12, 9.00 a. m.

The Matin Service was conducted by the Rev. Joseph Stump, D.D., of Phillipsburg, N. J.

The Roll of Delegates was called for the only time during the Convention.

The minutes of the Second Session were read and approved.

The President appointed the following Nominating Committees:

1. *For Porto Rico Board.*—The Revs. N. R. Melhorn, J. W. Horine, A. P. Säter, Dr. H. M. M. Richards, E. F. Bergren, Prof. A. Kempe, Hon. V. L. Johnson.

2. *For Foreign Mission Board.*—The Revs. C. Armand Miller, D.D., G. A. Dorf, C. E. Elving, J. A. Timm, E. F. Keever, D.D., C. A. Blomgren, Ph.D., August Johnson, C. J. Smith, and Messrs. F. Wendling, F. Henrich, J. W. Greene, H. Hess and Hon. C. R. Lantz.

3. *For Board of Publication.*—The Revs. S. E. Ochsenford, D.D., H. A. Weller, J. F. Ohl, Mus.D., H. R. Erdmann, Messrs. F. O. Ritter, M. L. Deck, William Eck.

4. *For English Home Mission Board.*—The Revs. E. P. H. Pfatteicher, Ph.D., G. F. Gehr, W. G. Dressler, D.D., B. F. Hoefer, J. F. Beates and M. E. Boulton.

The Foreign Mission Report was resumed. See Second Session.

RECEPTION OF AN OFFICIAL VISITOR

The President announced as a special order the Reception of the Official Visitor of the General Synod.

The Rev. Prof. J. A. Singmaster, D.D., President of the Theological Seminary of the General Synod, at Gettysburg, Pa., representing the General Synod, addressed the Convention, and President Schmauk made fitting response.

Adjourned with prayer by the Rev. G. A. Dorf, of McPherson, Kansas.

(After adjournment the members of the Convention were conveyed by cars to Martin Luther Church.)

FOURTH SESSION

MARTIN LUTHER CHURCH,
Friday, September 12, 2 p. m.

The Rev. William E. Frey, of Erie, Pa., opened the Session with prayer.

The minutes of the Third Session were read and approved.

The consideration of the Foreign Mission Report was concluded and the report adopted as a whole (see Second Session).

The President appointed the following committees:

1. *On World Conference on Faith and Order.*—The Revs. G. W. Mech-

ling, D.D., J. F. Ohl, Mus.D., J. A. W. Kirsch, S. G. Weiskotten, D.D., W. D. C. Keiter, D.D., E. F. Bachmann, G. E. Forsberg, Prof. C. W. Foss, and Dr. H. M. M. Richards.

2. *On the Paper of the Editor of "The Lutheran."*—The Revs. Dr. J. C. Seegers, J. W. Horine, Dr. C. A. Miller and Messrs. W. H. Hager, and J. Gear.

The Rev. Dr. Whitteker presented the

REPORT OF THE ENGLISH HOME MISSION BOARD

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

Fathers and Brethren.—Two more years of opportunity have passed, ushering us into the greater opportunities of the present. It has been a biennium of conference, of adjustment between the various factors which enter into our Home Mission work. Whilst it has prevented us from giving our undivided attention and throwing our entire energy into the work, it has harmonized our General Council English Home Mission forces, caused them to look upon the whole field and every part of it as belonging to one great whole, for whose successful cultivation all are determined to discharge their responsibilities. There have been conferences between the General Board and the Superintendent, and Synodical Mission authorities and Synods, which have resulted in a better understanding, and which will enable us to accomplish the larger work before us. Our history as a Church in America shows a consistent and regular development toward a larger, better and more effective Home Mission organization and system. She has become conscious of her enlarging mission in this land of her adoption. In the Plan of Unification adopted by the General Council and its Synods (General Council Minutes, 1909, pages 196-97-99) and in the Rules and Regulations of the Board, approved by the General Council (G. C. Minutes, 1911, pages 131-134) we have the most clearly defined and most advanced system of Home Missions of any Lutheran body in the world. It properly distributes functions and powers and grades and locates authority in accordance with the degree of responsibility imposed. Its chief merit is in harmonizing the interests, thought, energy and power of all, and uniting all in the study and prosecution of the entire work on facts, as far as possible eliminating all chance and doubt, seeking to make English Home Missions an exact science. If there is to be a permanent General Council, it will not be on the basis of a union of faith without works. Such a union the great Apostle Paul pronounced impossible. The very life and development of the General Council depends upon the united working together of all its members for the attainment of the position to which our Church is entitled. It is true here as elsewhere: "United we stand, divided we fall."

THE WORK OF THE BIENNIUM

I. The following new missions have been established and taken on

our funds: First Church, Berlin, St. Luke's, Dunbar, and St. Matthew's, Brantford, Canada: Grace, Mediator, Brooklyn, Holy Trinity, Elmira, N. Y.: Holy Trinity, East Orange, N. J.; Holy Spirit, St. Simeon's, Immanuel and All Saints, Philadelphia; Holy Trinity, Palmerton, Zion, Nesquehoning, St. James, Allentown, and Ascension, Lancaster, Pa.; Salem, Oak Park, Chicago; First Mishawaka, Ind.; St. Paul's, Neenah, Wis.; Zion's, La Grande, Oregon, and Redeemer, Vancouver, B.C. Total, 20.

II. The following Missions have been transferred to the Self-Sustaining list: First Church, Berlin, Canada; Grace, Dunkirk, N. Y.; St. Andrew's, Atlantic City, Our Saviour, Trenton, N. J.; Resurrection, and All Saints, Philadelphia; Grace, Lehighton, New Ringgold Parish, New Ringgold, St. Mark's, Lancaster; Quakake Parish, Quakake; Frieden's, Llewellyn; Richfield Parish, Richfield; Zion's, Trevorton, Pa.; St. Luke's, Toledo, O.; Grace, Woodstock, St. Matthew's and St. Mark's, Chicago, Ill.; St. John's, Oshkosh, Wis.; St. John's, Tacoma, Washington. Total, 19.

CHANGES

As the Rev. A. C. Anda resigned the Western District Superintendency, the Rev. Luther Hogshead, our Field Missionary of Cleveland, Ohio, was promoted to that position. The Rev. H. C. Ter Vehn, our missionary at Barberton, Ohio, was advanced to the position of Field Missionary at Cleveland. The Rev. Luther B. Deck, who was our missionary at Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, has been raised to the Field Missionaryship of the Twin Cities. By Rev. Wm. C. Drahn's acceptance of the call to the mission at La Grande, Oregon, we do not have a Field Missionary on the Pacific Synod, covering the States of Oregon, Idaho, Washington and the Province of British Columbia.

FINANCES

The continued increase in the amounts received is very gratifying. It manifests the deep and increasing interest of the Church in our expanding work and encourages us to go with renewed and greater confidence to the Church for assistance, to extend our operations and make some impression upon our many hitherto neglected fields. The receipts for the past three bienniums were as follows:

Biennium—1907-1909—$55,409.77
" —1909-1911—$85,650.36
" —1911-1913—$98.966.42

Whilst the highest we have received in any biennium is still $25,033.58 short of the apportionment, we rejoice in the progress made and we see in it signs of a growing appreciation of the cause. The increased contributions of the Church to the Unified Home Mission work, are according to our forecast and expectations. Some of the brethren had argued that Unification would decrease the contributions.

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 1, 1911, to April 30, 1913.

Receipts

Balance on hand May 1, 1911		$10,008 59
For General Fund	$85,853 42	
Emergency and Relief Fund	8,938 00	
Portable Chapel Fund	1,812 12	
Phila. Field Missionary Fund	82 00	
Home Mission Council	2 50	
Repayment of Loan to Church	158 50	
Church Extension Society, proportionate share of office expenses	727 91	
Loan less discount	12,022 73	
Interest on Deposit	88 20	
Interest on Endowment Fund	40 00	
Interest from Loan on Church	1 86	
		$109,727 24
Louise F. Fritz Bequest		982 41
Total		$120,718 24

Disbursements

Salaries and Expenses of Superintendent and Missionaries	$85,006 51	
Office Expenses	1,200 00	
Expenses of Delegates	271 43	
Printing	4,122 73	
Incidentals	103 30	
		$90,703 97
Repayment of Loan	$20,122 50	
Interest and Discount on Loan	433 65	
Interest on Mortgages on various churches	1,682 42	
		22,238 57
Philadelphia Emergency Fund	2,408 93	
Portable Chapel Chicago	940 00	
Special Fund	415 00	
Loan to Church	400 00	
Home Mission Council	225 00	
		$4,388 93
Total		$117,331 47
Leaving a balance on hand, April 30, 1913		$3,386 77

ENDOWMENT FUND

The Endowment Fund remains the same as reported two years ago, and amounts to $8,881.00, which is invested as follows:

Bond and Mortgage, St. John's Church, Duluth	$4,000 00
Note and Mortgage, Holy Trinity Church, Seattle	1,000 00
Note and Mortgage, Ch. Our Redeemer, Aurora, Ill.	1,000 00
Mortgage on First English Church, Winnipeg	1,881 00
(All of the above investments made by order of the Board)	
Bond, B. & O. R. R. Co., First Mortgage 4 per cent.	1,000 00
	$8,881 00

The Board is indebted for loans as follows:

Pelham Trust Co.	$4,700 00	
Mr. and Mrs. Beistel	1,000 00	
		$5,700 00

Of the above indebtedness, $600.00 has been loaned to the church at Winnipeg, for which a mortgage of $2,481.00 is held covering this loan and the loan from the Endowment Fund, as reported above.

E. Aug. Miller, *Treasurer.*

At the appointment of the Finance Committee of the Board of English Home Missions, we have examined the vouchers for the payments above credited from May 1st, 1911 to April 30th, 1913, inclusive, and find the same correct, and we have also examined the several securities of the Endowment Fund amounting to $8,881.00, and certify that they are identical with those recorded in the account.

M. F. Trexler,
J. M. Deck,
Auditing Committee.

Sept. 2d, 1913.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1909-1913

For Salaries, etc., 1909-1910	$41,450 51	
For Printing, etc.	758 13	
For Special Purposes	239 14	
For Interest, etc.	1,402 62	
		$43,634 40
For Salaries, 1910-1911	$39,027 98	
For Printing, etc.	792 14	
For Money raised for special purposes	2,782 74	
For Interest, etc.	672 29	
		$43,275 15
For Salaries, 1911-1912	$41,796 65	
For Printing etc.	525 02	
For Interest, etc.	1,388 04	
For Moneys raised for special purposes	2,540 93	
		$46,250 64
For Salaries, 1912-1913	$43,435 09	
For Printing, etc.	3,597 71	
For Interest, etc.	728 03	
For Special Purposes	1,897 50	
		$49,658 33

OUR PRESENT SITUATION

We have again canvassed the entire Home Mission field. Two months were spent in the western section of our land. The situation, somewhat complicated, furnishes cause for much earnest consideration. There is imperative need of a larger provision of men and means, and a more resolute prosecution of the work. The action of the General Synod with

reference to the division of territory; the past impossibility of making much headway in securing the additional $60,000.00 Fund, and time spent in adjustment of the functions and powers of the Home Mission factors have somewhat interferred with the realization of some of our expectations. We need the $69,200.00 which we ask, per year for the biennium on apportionments and we need the additional $60,000.00 for the expanding work. We need to keep this before the Church, and have it advance toward the full amount of this $60,000.00 Fund as it advances toward the full amount of the $69,200.00 apportionment. We have not been able to make much headway in the first. The women were unable to secure pledges for the $15,000.00 of that amount which they had agreed to make an effort to raise, as most of their societies had promised their incomes for other objects, and (secondly) much that was pledged by individuals and congregational associations was credited in apportionments. Whilst this helped to increase our income during the biennium, it was impossible for us to credit it to the $60,000.00 Fund, or to know what was being specially contributed for this purpose.

Whatever be the outcome of the General Council's negotiations with the General Synod, we are convinced that it is the duty of our Board to occupy the field which had been assigned us by the agreement of the Arbitration Committees, and to secure the men and means to successfully cultivate the same. The charge that we have not hitherto provided for the care of the anglicized Lutherans on the territory assigned, furnishes the reason or excuse to abrogate the agreement. Whilst we might retort that the same charge can be made against all our Home Mission Boards, and the territory assigned to the General Synod would furnish an ample and fruitful field for the profitable expenditure of all their means and for the employment of their entire missionary force, yet the only effective way to meet the present situation is to fully occupy our territory and care for its ungathered Lutherans. We also believe that our women are now in better position to prosecute the gathering of the $15,000.00, the one-fourth of the $60,000.00 Fund, than they were two years ago and that, with a better understanding of the situation, we may arrange with our pastors and Synods to gather the additional fund as it may be increasingly needed.

We are thoroughly agreed on the principle that all funds gathered should, in the end, be applied to the apportionment and we are ready at any time to have it put into effect, provided the apportionment be adequate to our needs. We believe that, through the securing of these special funds in an orderly way, we will so increase the liberality of individuals and associations in our congregations, so that these amounts can be included in the apportionments, and the special effort cease. The Foreign Mission Board secured pledges from individuals and associations in our congregations to meet their increasing needs years before they were ready to ask the Church to include and credit everything on the apportionments and properly so. We must increase our means to our needs and not decrease our work to our present means.

GENERAL COUNCIL HOME MISSIONS

Supported by the Board of English Home Missions

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA

New Missions

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership.	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence.	Value of Property.
Philadelphia, Pa., (Fern Rock)	Holy Spirit	U. S. G. Bertolet	.....	.....	50	$124 97	.....	$7,550
Philadelphia, Pa., (Five Points)	Immanuel	U. S. G. Bertolet	128	42	113	701 86	$98 58	3,500
Philadelphia, Pa.	St. Simeons	K. L. Reisner	310	123	208	887 50	5 00	7,600
Philadelphia, Pa.	All Saints	F. A. Bowers	319	293	320	2,301 52	155 00	65,000
Palmerton, Pa.	Holy Trinity	Luther Coffman	126	54	90	424 88	60 09	1,050
Nesquehoning, Pa	Zion	F. E. Reichard	93	47	92	293 22	50 29	1,000
Allentown, Pa.	St. James	C. K. Fegley	147	54	90	127 93	23 27	4,400
Lancaster, Pa.	Ascension	.....	47	19	36	31 40	.....	.....

Missions of the Ministerium

Philadelphia, Pa.	Zion's	F. W. Friday	250	110	196	793 54	128 60	8,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Memorial	J. W. H. Heintz	253	175	315	1,570 42	16313	50,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Mediator	A. C. Sumons	314	111	209	$1,227 51	$128 28	$15,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Good Shepherd	U. S. G. Bertolet	150	45	92	316 97	3 38	8,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Advocate	Vacant	206	172	253	1,219 40	174 01	10,000
Manoa, Pa.	Trinity	M. C. Horine	52	50	67	773 00	25 00	10,000
Camden, N. J.	Christ's	W. J. Huntsinger	111	93	146	848 20	24 00	4,000
Magnolia, N. J.	Trinity	W. J. Huntsinger	35	34	.....	73 59	.....	3,000
Wildwood, N. J.	Trinity	C. R. Keiter	125	48	87	941 80	86 62	11,000
Oakbrook, Pa.	Redeemer	Supply	.....	26	137	275 00	.....	1,500
Northampton Heights, Pa.	St. Matthew's	J. S. Renninger	257	89	168	388 07	62 22	4,250
E. Allentown, Pa.	St. Joseph's	P. A. Behler	360	110	299	506 88	77 12	5,000
Easton, Pa.	Colored	Vacant	18	6	28	369 00	.....	5,000
Scranton, Pa.	St. Paul's	Vacant	108	68	123	2,796 87	17 19	1,043
Sayre, Pa.	St. John's	E. M. Beysher	198	96	127	728 14	99 03	5,600
Gouldsboro, Pa.	Grace	J. F. Stolte	143	61	109	556 99	79 23	9,500
Packerton, Pa.	Zion	F. E. Reichard	188	91	126	411 82	67 70	4,600
Ricketts, Pa.	St. John's	A. L. Smith	33	31	47	268 94	72 77	1,500
Mildred, Pa.	Trinity	A. L. Smith	106	87	68	664 61	52 13	6,000
Pine Grove, Pa.	St. Peter's	A. H. Klick	50	37	158	298 00	20 50	3,600
Pine Grove, Pa.	Salem	A. H. Klick	134	100	156	394 00	25 23	10,000
Ravine, Pa.	St. Matthew's	A. H. Klick	25	18	68	110 00	8 80	1,500
Wayne Twp.	St. Mark's	A. H. Klick	29	15	71	130 00	13 47	3,000

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA (Continued)

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Member-ship.	Communi-cant Membership	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence	Value of Property.
Palmyra, Pa	Palm	F. C. Krapf	150	81	130	699 75	97 63	11,500
Hershey, Pa	Trinity	F. C. Krapf	115	38	80	254 75	34 51	1,000
Harrisburg, Pa	Holy Communion	Vacant	220	122	126	898 82	183 81	10,000
Lancaster, Pa	Redeemer		61	46	103	406 78		10,000
Jersey Shore, Pa	First Evangelical	C. B. Lindtwed	140	56	85	561 59	206 06	5,000
Berwick, Pa	St. John's	W. H. Berk	133	62	75	351 85	38 30	8,000
Folsom, N. J	St. James	C. D. Clauss	90	69	41	273 52	62 29	6,000
Risley, N. J	St. John's	C. D. Clauss	24			84 42		500
Transferred to Self-Sustaining List								
Atlantic City	St. Andrew's	Theo. Buch	350	60	115	1,272 23	49 21	20,000
Trenton, N. J	Our Saviour	J. C. Mattes	350	167	170	1,549 94	242 00	18,000
Philadelphia, Pa	Resurrection	D. J. Sulzbach	390	316	392	1,538 37	162 55	23,000
Philadelphia, Pa	All Saints	F. A. Bowers	319	293	320	2,301 52	155 00	65,000
Lehighton, Pa	Grace	Vacant	210	110	111	1,081 07	89 54	11,000
New Ringgold	Frieden's	G. W. Fritch	200	170	112	300 00	96 75	5,000
McKeansburg	Christ's	G. W. Fritch	83	70	135	200 00		1,500
Lewiston, Pa	Zion	G. W. Fritch	50	40	45	150 00		2,000
Tuscarora, Pa	Advent	G. W. Fritch	60	50	84			
Lancaster, Pa	St. Mark's	J. H. Strenge	258	133	256	772 29	196 90	8,000
Quakake Parish	Ascension	E. P. Xander	56	41	159	606 25	94 57	
Quakake Parish, Rush	Christ	E. P. Xander	169	125				
Quakake Parish, Locust Gap	St. Peter's	E. P. Xander	20	23				
Llewllyn	Frieden's		117	106	112	200 00	41 48	2,000
Richfield, Parish	St. John's		105	89	144	590 10	17 65	6,000
Richfield, Parish	St. Paul's							
	St. Peter's							
	Zion's							
Trevorton, Pa	Zion's	D. M. Stettler	138	120	225	436 75	210 82	7,500
Grand Total	57 Missions	28 Missionaries	7,989	4,399	6,730	$32,882 41	$3,544 71	$422,113

DISTRICT SYNOD OF OHIO

Mission transferred to self-sustaining list

Toledo, Ohio Station A.	St. Luke's	R. E. M. Engers	171	121	52	237 24	36 75	3,700
Toledo, Ohio	St. Luke's	E. M. Potts	350	184	130	922 18	44 06	8,700
Coshocton, O	St. Paul's	A. K. Wolborn	130	92	58	514 80	65 00	4,500

DISTRICT SYNOD OF OHIO (Continued)

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership.	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence.	Value of Property.
Coshocton, O	Emmanuel	A. K. Walborn	125	69	80	$496 57	$44 10	$ 7,000
Defiance, O	Zion's	W. H. Shepfer	230	184	104	369 21	54 02	10,000
Holgate, O	St. Peter's	John Knauer	200	70	73	460 30	56 25	4,100
Stanley, Ohio	St. John's	John Knauer	160	45	62	355 00	44 65	5,000
Paulding, Ohio	St. Paul's	A. C. Wuchter	98	59	90	436 31	61 07	6,500
Broughton, Ohio	St. Paul's	A. C. Wuchter	35	9	.....	.....	8 63	1,500
Charloe, Ohio	Zion's	A. C. Wuchter	65	18	52	.....	20 52	1,200
West Carrollton	Grace	L. P. Pence	146	66	104	378 00	64 00	3,000
Ingomar, Ohio	St. John's	L. P. Pence	148	50	139	199 02	5 96	7,140
Barberton, Ohio	First	J. J. Rumbarger	247	89	115	641 27	116 85	15,000
Cleveland, Ohio	Emmaus	R. A. Albert	234	72	195	339 69	31 00	6,782
	14 Missions	9 Missionaries	2,339	1,128	1,254	$5,349 59	$652 86	$81,522

CHICAGO SYNOD

New Missions

Oak Park, Chicago	Salem	J. W. Hanning	70	27	60	310 29	.....	2,500
Mishawaka, Ind	First	R. E. M. Engers	50	50	.....	.....	.....	25,000

Missions of Chicago Synod transferred to self-sustaining list

Woodstock, Ill	Grace	R. C. Kaufman	224	153	117	917 03	9 59	4,000
Chicago, Ill	St. Matthew's	P. J. Gerberding	350	160	166	955 66	173 00	12,000

Missions of Chicago Synod

Chicago, Ill	St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chicago, Ill	Atonement	Vacant	278	123	156	585 09	126 14	7,000
Chicago, Ill	Epiphany	C. R. W. Kegley	200	98	83	1,094 13	134 00	10,000
Chicago, Ill	St. James	L. E. Wein	275	145	228	1,239 28	60 00	10,500
Chicago, Ill	Redeemer	J. R. E. Hunt	360	154	230	985 25	40 00	9,000
Chicago, Ill	St. John's	P. C. Baer	27	27	17	502 11	793 00	11,500
Lafayette, Ind	Holy Trinity	E. D. S. Boyer	576	84	78	724 91	75 01	16,000
Detroit, Mich	St. Paul's	J. W. Paetznick	350	127	290	870 00	150 00	7,300
Detroit, Mich	Christ	A. M. Sappenfield	550	142	342	1,070 12	141 00	15,000
Aurora, Ill	Redeemer	G. G. Smith	221	81	123	169 99	45 00	11,000
	14 Missions	12 Missionaries	3,531	1,372	1,890	$9,423 86	$2,151 74	$140,800

ENGLISH SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST

New Mission

Neenah, Wis	St. Paul's	A. J. Sommers	125	59	66	141 15	.....	.....

ENGLISH SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST (Continued)

Mission transferred to self-sustaining list

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership.	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence.	Value of Property.
Oshkosh, Wis.	St. John's	W. C. Stump	250	102	90	$991 57	$157 14	$4,500

Missions supported by the Board of English Home Missions

Livingston, Mon.	Redeemer	F. W. Klingensmith	90	34	53	771 83	120 65	10,895
Winnipeg, Can.	First	P. E. Baisler	275	82	155	661 21	84 70	40,000
Inwood, Can.	St. John's	P. E. Baisler	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Minneapolis, Minn.	Holy Communion	L. B. Deck	248	66	175	256 25	55 06	5,600
Minneapolis, Minn.	Redeemer	C. J. Rockey	375	134	292	1,047 79	213 17	2,000
Superior, Wis.	Holy Trinity	W. H. Gable	285	77	130	5,130 20	73 76	7,500
Madison, Wis.	Trinity	H. R. Gold	242	94	93	444 99	124 53	15,000
Middleton, Wis.	First	H. R. Gold	77	62	.....	236 47	15 16	.....
Beloit, Wis.	Atonement	W. Krumweide	350	65	96	658 22	8 66	9,000
Afton, Wis.	Trinity	W. Krumweide	30	20	.....	.....	.....	.....
Racine, Wis.	Atonement	W. F. Rex	514	178	316	816 68	110 05	15,950
Cedarburg, Wis.	Advent	Vacant	126	81	55	450 00	.....	15,534
Milwaukee, Wis.	Reformation	Vacant	900	357	437	2,188 06	651 45	44,761
Milwaukee, Wis.	Lake Park	F. E. Cooper	135	44	93	1,088 36	122 30	37,500
	16 Missions.	11 Missionaries.	4,022	1,455	2,051	$14,882 78	$1,735 63	$208,240

PACIFIC SYNOD

Mission transferred to the self-sustaining list

Tacoma, Wash.	St. John's	C. F. W. Stoever	400	300	90	728 32	8 30	20,000

New Missions

La Grande, Oregon	Zion's	Wm. C. Drahn	123	28	23	337 56	13 88	3,000
Vancouver, B. C.	Redeemer	B. A. Sand	33	23	27	174 50	.....	25,000
Centralia, Wash.	Immanuel	W. H. Zuber	22	15	13	158 85	.....	.....
Bellingham, Wash.	St. Mark's	F. W. Bussard	187	60	44	491 39	165 86	6,500
Victoria, B. C.	Grace	D. J. O. Westheim	141	30	92	389 10	8 50	25,000
Medford, Oregon	Zion's	Conrad Wilker	157	48	50	655 36	131 80	4,000
	7 Missions.	7 Missionaries.	1,063	504	339	$2,935 08	$328 34	$83,500

NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND SYNOD

New Missions

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership.	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence.	Value of Property.
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Grace	G. C. Loos	83	25	54	$133 92	$ 7 55	$4,300
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Mediator	G. C .Loos	87	23	63	186 46	18 67	3,700
East Orange, N. J.	Holy Trinity	Vacant	75	44	13	597 51	29 05	.....
Elmira, N. Y.	Holy Trinity	J. Hassler	.....	45	40	88 13	.....	10,000

Missions transferred to self-sustaining list

Dunkirk, N. Y.	Grace	G. G. Ruff	325	164	144	780 61	187 40	6,500

Missions supported by the English Home Mission Board

Hartford, Conn.	St. Paul's	C. E. Blethen	245	51	52	355 72	42 92	20,000
New Britian, Conn.	Reformation	O. S. Schrieber	237	65	106	347 89	27 08	7,000
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Covenant	J. H. Stelljes	720	154	560	989 40	17 00	6,900
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Ascension	Wm. Steinbicker	191	83	159	737 84	108 86	7,500
Brooklyn, N. Y.	St. Andrew's	O. S. Yerger	994	229	838	737 32	23 48	12,000
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Nativity	G. C. Loos	67	20	54	297 64	16 92	.....
College Point	Holy Spirit	L. C. Koehler	113	22	59	300 00	.....	6,000
Corona, N. Y.	St. Bartholomew	L. C. Koehler	.....	.....	30	370 32	.....	4,500
Yonkers, N. Y.	Redeemer	Emil Weber	182	80	40	633 47	63 21	16,000
	14 Missions.	10 Missionaries.	3,319	1,005	2,262	$6,556 23	$542 14	$104,400

SYNOD OF CENTRAL CANADA

New and self-sustaining Mission

Berlin, Ont.	First	H. J. Behrens	188	87	105	363 46	481 25	14,000

Supported by the Board of English Home Missions

Buttonville, Ont.	St. John's	J. Maurer	15	15	25	145 62	14 40	3,700
Unionville, Ont.	Bethesda	J. Maurer	38	35	40	772 39	162 00	5,850
Ottawa, Canada	St. Peter's	J. J. Clemens	155	40	73	728 84	145 00	10,250
Brantford, Ont.	St. Matthew's	Vacant	30	20	30	201 00	40 65	.....
Dunbar, Ont.	St. Luke's	Vacant	74	40	40	525 00	.....	5,000
	6 Missions.	3 Missionaries.	500	237	313	$2,716 31	$843 30	$38,800

TREASURER'S REPORT, ENGLISH HOME MISSIONS

	Receipts, 1911-1912	Receipts, 1912-1913	Total, 1911-1913	Apportionment, 1911-1913	Shortage	Apportionment, 1914-1915 Per Year
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$19,552 94	$27,563 28	$47,116 22	$ 65,000 00	$17,883 78	$40,000 00
New York and New England Synod	2,741 71	4,070 61	6,812 32	14,500 00	7,687 68	7,250 00
Synod of Central Canada	327 33	706 25	1,033 58	1,600 00	566 42	800 00
District Synod of Ohio	3,200 00	6,000 00	9,200 00	12,000 00	2,800 00	6,000 00
Chicago Synod	3,016 40	3,288 17	6,304 57	7,000 00	695 43	3,600 00
Synod of the Northwest	1,921 26	1,999 81	3,921 07	5,000 00	1,078 93	3,000 00
Pacific Synod	378 11	223 74	601 85	1,200 00	598 15	700 00
Pittsburgh Synod	3,738 76	4,551 38	8,290 14	11,200 00	2,909 86	5,600 00
New York Ministerium	176 00	65 08	241 08	2,000 00	1,758 92	1,000 00
Nova Scotia	10 08	10 08	10 08	2,500 00	2,489 92	1,250 00
Relief Fund	6,870 77	125 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Emergency Fund	1,924 23	85 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Field Missionary Fund	587 92	287 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Congregations Direct	330 76	677 01	.....	.....	.....	.....
Individuals Direct	157 34	377 32	.....	.....	.....	.....
Societies Direct	23 09	261 31	.....	.....	.....	.....
Portable Chapel Fund	286 50	1,525 12	.....	.....	.....	.....
Church Ext. Society	458 44	269 47	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest on Deposits and Bonds	92 60	37 46	.....	.....	.....	.....
General Council Contributions	46 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
$15,000 Fund	25 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bequest of Miss Louise Fritz	.....	982 41	.....	.....	.....	.....
	$45,866 00	$53,100 42	$83,530 91	$122,000 00	$38,469 09	$69,200 00

OUR PRESENT NEEDS

The first is to cultivate the fields and missions now under our care. For this the apportionment will provide.

The second need is the occupancy of new territory and the proper cultivation of that hitherto neglected. For this we propose to use the $60,000. We are convinced that the effort to secure the $60,000 additional fund will succeed just in proportion as we are able to demonstrate its necessity and to place an increasing number of men into the neglected fields.

OUR NEGLECTED FIELDS IN CANADA

Let us get an adequate conception of the importance of the great Dominion to our North. Marvellous as was the growth of the United States in the past, the growth and development of Canada is still more marvellous: in the increase of population, of products, of wealth, of railroads, of telegraphs, etc., it surpasses anything our United States ever attained.

Its facilities for travel, for settlement, marketing produce, etc., is far superior to anything we reached at the same stage of development. The Lutheran population is larger in proportion to the number of inhabitants, than it was in the United States. Canada is the "HOPE OF THE 20TH CENTURY." In addition to the thousands of Lutherans who are annually coming from Germany, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, etc., 40,000 of our Americans are now annually taking up homesteads there under most favorable conditions. A very large proportion of these 40,000 are Lutheran farmers from the Western States. They are selling their farms at high prices, securing richer and better lands for the asking, and with their past acquisitions and experiences are making a new and more promising start. By carefully gathering statistics it is learned that on an average every Lutheran farmer, mother, daughter and son, takes into that land an asset to the amount of $8,750.00, showing that these people belong to the middle class, who are the strength of the Church and the bulwark of the Nation. What a call to enter now when less than 1-10th of its arable land is under cultivation!

First. New and North Ontario, recently opened to settlement, is a district which is 208,000 square miles larger than the British Isles. Its fertile fields, timber lands and rich mines already yielding one-half (½) as much silver as the entire United States, are attracting thousands. The Canadian Pacific, the Canadian Northern, the Grand Trunk, the National Trans-Continental, the Algoma Central, with their numerous spurs and branches intersect the territory and enable the colonists to reach their homesteads and market their products. Towns like Cobalt, North Bay, Sturgeon Falls and Sudbury, Port Arthur, Fort Williams contain many of our people. We ask that part of the $60,000 Fund be applied for a traveling missionary for this immense district.

Second. As Nova Scotia Synod has at its last Convention adopted the Plan of Unification, our field enlarges. The City of Halifax in Nova Scotia, Sidney in Cape Breton Island, St. John in New Brunswick have

appealed to us, because our Lutheran Church has many sheep in these cities on whom the Saviour has compassion and who are perishing without a shepherd. These too we must bring. We are aware of the splendid work which the Pittsburgh Synod did at the call of Dr. Cossman in the land of Evangeline. The time has come for the sending of one Field Missionary to these cities and to our scattered people in Nova Scotia, Cape Breton Island, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and New Foundland.

Third. A Field Missionary for the Province of Manitoba. This Province is larger than all New England, Delaware, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana combined. In it we now have one mission, which is just about to enter its new church, a Sunday-school and a preaching place. There are many German and Scandinavian congregations. Every day of the year ten of our own household of faith are entering this Province to make it their future home. Some are entering the growing town of Portage la Prairie, others the rapidly increasing Brandon, others, Winnipeg that marvel of Canada, and still others are settling upon its rich farms. We have not kept pace with the material development and hence we appeal for a Field Missionary so that we may overtake it.

Fourth. A Field Missionary for a Province even larger than Manitoba, Saskatchewan. One hundred of our Lutheran people are added to its population and our Home Mission responsibility every week, and the number is growing larger. It has cities like Regina, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert and Saskatoon, and towns like Weyburn, Outlook, Wilkin, etc., besides the rich farming lands where our people abide. We do not have a single English Lutheran congregation or preacher in this area of 250,650 square miles. Is there an equal area in heathen India, China or Japan where the Christian Church has not stationed a missionary?

Fifth. A Field Missionary for the Province of Alberta, larger than all Germany. Here we have such cities as Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, and towns like Carberry, Champion, Vulcan, Castor. Every month enough Lutherans take up homesteads in Alberta to constitute a self-sustaining congregation. Here, too, we do not have a single English Lutheran pastor. We ask, does darkest Africa contain a space as large where the Christian Church has not done more for the heathen, than we have for the anglicized and anglicizing brethren of our own faith in Alberta?

Sixth. British Columbia: This Province is larger, more important and is a stronger Missionary center than any of the others. Twenty-five years ago it was the haunt of the hunter and the trapper, with only a settlement at Victoria. Today its western frontier has a coast line of 700 miles, dotted with fine harbors and is a busy mart of trade with the Orient. Rich in fisheries, coal, timber, mineral, gold and fruit, it is one of the most beautiful and valuable stretches of land in America. Victoria has grown from a small settlement to 75,000, and Vancouver from noth-

ing to 150,000 in the last 25 years, and the latter is only at the beginning of her development. New Westminster, Nelson, Nanimo, Kamloops, Grand Forks, Revelstoke, Prince Rupert and Vernon, range from 3,000 to 30,000 inhabitants. Into this Province almost 1,000 emigrants are entering every week. It is a rich field for the Lutheran harvester. In addition to the growing Mission at Victoria, and the still more rapid development at Vancouver, the English Home Mission Board ought also to have a Field Missionary in this Province| We ask for six, and seven with Brother Bieber, Field Missionaries for Canada, to cover a territory larger than the United States, and one which is housing a larger proportion of Lutherans, than did the United States at the same period of its development.

OUR NEGLECTED FIELDS IN THE UNITED STATES

If America is destined to play a prominent part in the religious development of the world (which the past and present demonstrates) then our English Home Mission work is one of the most important, if not the most important work of our Evangelical Lutheran Church. If, as Dr. Strong says: "He does most to evangelize the world and hasten the coming of the Kingdom who does most to make thoroughly Christian, these United States," then it becomes us to bestir ourselves on Home Missions, especially English Home Missions.

We ask for the means to employ a Field Missionary for the New England States. This home of the Puritan has been invaded by Lutherans, and their descendants are daily becoming an increasing portion of its population. Our Germans who had sparsely settled in this portion before and soon after the Revolution (and where churches have died out because we neglected to provide English) have come to those factories in far larger numbers and were followed by a large and increasing number of Swedes, Norwegians and Danes. Of the eight million inhabitants of "this intellectual corner" of the United States, almost 800,000 are of Lutheran origin. Of the 150 Lutheran churches only five are English, three belonging to the General Council and two to the General Synod. Surely we are voicing a modest request when we ask the General Council to give us the means to send one Field Missionary, whose field shall be Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

Secondly. We ask for a Field Missionary for Western New York. The remarkable work done single-handed by the Rev. Dr. T. B. Roth, whilst pastor at Utica, and that which has been accomplished by others with an organized laity, proves the ripeness of the field, as well as the devotion of those brethren. Cities like Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Utica, etc., etc., will afford a Field Missionary constant and most profitable exercise.

Thirdly. We plead for a Field Missionary for Long Island, for the territory stretching from Brooklyn, where Brother Loos is performing Herculean labors, to Montauk Point. New bridges, tunnels, subways,

surface and elevated roads are an indication of how financiers are trying to gather the fares of the inrushing population. New towns are springing up and the old settlements are growing into boroughs. There is an exodus, almost a stampede of Lutherans from the crowded districts of Brooklyn and New York to these new sections. Railroads and shipping corporations are already projecting plans which will throw the New York Harbor to Montauk Point, and fill this portion of Long Island with a very large Lutheran population. It is a high time that we send at least one Field Missionary.

We are again very modest when we ask for but one Field Missionary for the State of New Jersey, forty-fifth in size, sixteenth in numerical strength and third in density of population. Within the computing zone of New York City, it has 1,828,862 inhabitants. In the five great cities lying nearest New York there are of German and Scandinavian birth and their children of the first generation 940,359. Rev. M. S. Waters, of Newark, writes: "There is a tremendous call from our people. We have not placed churches within their reach. Large and crowded neighborhoods have no Lutheran churches. In ten years we shall have won or lost. This decade will, as I see it, prove decisive. Unless we reach these people soon we shall never reach them."

We now come to Pennsylvania, the Keystone State. In the City of Philadelphia, the Rev. U. S. G. Bertolet, our Field Missionary has been doing an excellent work. Rev. Fegley has made full proof of his ministry in Palmyra and Hershey, in Nesquehoning and Palmerton, and is now vigorously prosecuting the work at Allentown. With another general worker we would be equipped on the territory of the Ministerium.

But we plead for a Field Missionary for Pittsburgh and vicinity. This city of 533,905, and Allegheny county of 1,018,463 inhabitants, is an important field for the Mother Church of the Reformation. The city proper has 60 congregations with 13,681 communicants, and the county 70 additional congregations with 9,417 communicants. When we consider that this city and county were mainly settled by Presbyterians, we can well be gratified with a total of 130 congregations and 23,098 communicants, in the county, most of them gathered in the last 20 years through Home Mission activity. Here Father Heyer planted the first English Lutheran Church in 1837. This district has been made sacred by the labors of Heyer, Passavant, Krauth, Laird and Geissinger.

Whilst we have a Field Missionary in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, the brethren in Toledo (a city of 168,497 inhabitants, 25 Lutheran churches and over 12,000 communicants) where our Home Mission Board aided that prosperous work years ago, have pledged $500.00 in addition to their regular apportionment, if we furnish a Field Missionary for that city and vicinity. Toledo has proven a fruitful and profitable field for our General Council and its fertility is by no means exhausted.

Comparatively little has been done for Indiana, where increasing population, growing cities and anglicizing Lutherans demand at least one Field Missionary for the State. The Missouri Synod with its large Concordia

College at Fort Wayne has 125 pastors and 37,000 members, mostly Germans. The General Synod has 48 pastors, 97 congregations, and 8,500 members. The Joint Synod of Ohio, mostly Germans, has 34 pastors, 40 congregations and 8,000 members. The General Council has 19 pastors, 42 congregations and 3,600 members. Including several other Synods, there is a total Lutheran strength in the State of 219 pastors, 326 congregations and 58,000 members. More than a dozen of cities of 10,000 population and over do not have an English Lutheran Church, and five cities of over 25,000 inhabitants do not have a Lutheran church of any language. Indianapolis, the capital of 240,000 population, has two English Lutheran Churches. This is one of the richest agricultural States, high in education and great in possibilities. Dr. R. E. McDaniels, who has made a study of the State, says: "Twenty-five per cent. (25) of the population of the State is in Protestant, nine per cent. (9) in Roman Catholic Churches, and sixty-six per cent. (66) is material for a General Council Field Missionary."

Michigan with its many towns and cities, ripe for English Lutheran work and with its growing metropolis, Detroit, demands a Field Missionary immediately. This city, settled by French Catholics, is rapidly coming into the possession of German Lutherans, who already outnumber other denominations in the number of communicants. We have not gotten beyond two Missions in the State. Recently a canvass was made among the schools in Detroit and the citizens were surprised at the number of the school children who declared themselves as children of Lutheran parents. This State, rich in promise, demands our earnest and speedy attention. Our two missionaries in Detroit tell us that most of their Sunday-school pupils come from unchurched Lutheran families. What a field opens to us in this State!

Chicago, the second largest city in the Western Hemisphere, and the most Lutheran city thereof, demands a Field Missionary. Our brethren often attempt to appeal, now to our pride and now to our shame, by telling us that our General Synod Lutherans, though later comers, are putting us to shame. They have the wherewith to put in the men, and we now renew our appeal for the means wherewith we may do likewise. There are 80,000 Lutheran communicants in the city, 189 ministers and 193 congregations. There are 700,000 Germans, 150,000 Swedes, 80,000 Norwegians, 25,000 Danes and 10,000 Slovaks. The only Church outside of the Roman Catholic (and 1-10th of its strength in the United States is located in this city), which is growing, is the Lutheran. What a marvelous opportunity for a Field Missionary of the General Council. The Chicago brethren will assist in securing the salary for such a Missionary.

Surely Wisconsin, with a population of 2,333,860, of which our Lutheran Church has in round numbers a communicant membership of 300,000, and that mostly foreign speaking, is a ripe field for at least one English Lutheran Field Missionary. In 54 of the 71 counties, our Church is stronger than all the other Protestant forces combined. Almost all of

the strength of the Presbyterian, Congregational, Methodist and Episcopal Churches of the State has been drawn from the Lutheran sources. It is a sad commentary on our neglect. Brother Rubrecht writes "That over 200,000 of our Lutheran people outside of any and all Churches, could be reached by a faithful and earnest missionary propaganda, and that Wisconsin is ripe for English Lutheranism."

According to the census of 1905, more than half of the population of the State of Minnesota are of Lutheran descent. Its towns and cities are dotted over with magnificent churches, dedicated to the faith and worship of the Mother Church of the Reformation. Most of our people speak a foreign language in their worship; thousands can only be gathered and held by means of the English tongue. Our communicant membership is larger in the State than all other Protestant denominations combined. Brother Gruber in the careful statistics which he has gathered clearly shows that the other denominations are by their great Home Mission zeal gathering our stronger and ablest people in the larger cities and towns. We therefore ask that, in addition to Brother Luther B. Deck, who is faithfully serving the Twin Cities, the means be furnished to send one Field Missionary at large into the State of Minnesota.

In North and South Dakota the proportion of Lutherans to population is still larger than in either Wisconsin or Minnesota. Here to our discredit, others are reaping where they have not sown. The world, the flesh, and the devil are making havoc of many of our people, because we do not care for their souls. In Fargo, North Dakota, St. Mark's and a General Synod Mission in Grand Forks and East Grand Forks are the only three distinctive English Lutheran Churches in that State. It was found that 14 of its counties have but three permanent places of worship. In South Dakota, there is not a single English Lutheran Church. When we recall that each of these States is twice as large as Pennsylvania, it will not be thought unreasonable for our people to send at least one Field Missionary into each.

When we reach the Mountain State, where tales of the mining camps and vigilante days and ways are still told about the fireside and where the settlers are expecting and preparing for a large and growing influx of population, we have an immense stretch of territory of immense possibilities, which is now dotted over with cities and rapidly growing towns. In the Neglected Fields Survey it was found from 60 to 75,000 of its population are residing five or more miles from a church and a section of 40 by 100 miles in the northern part of the State depends mainly upon homesteading ministers for its religious needs.

Rev. Klingensmith says: "The facts declare the greatness of Montana, its hills, and mountains, valleys and plains, mines and forests, sheep and cattle and millions of acres of the richest agricultural land, smiled upon, beautiful and made richer by the brightest sun, the clearest air, the bluest sky, the purest water anywhere on the Continent. Railroads are being constructed faster than anywhere in the Union, new post offices are being opened at the rate of 100 a year, one county increased its voting popu-

lation 50 per cent. in two years, the ballot jumping from 2,000 in 1910 to 10,000 in 1912. The export of wheat from the State has increased from 400,000 bushels to 10,000,000 in four years. Trains and trains filled with settlers, implements and stock are coming every day as fast as the railroads can bring them." We have but one English Lutheran Church in the State, at Livingston, and it has made more rapid progress than any congregation in that Gateway to the Yellowstone Park. Anaconda, Billings, Bozeman, Butte, Helena, Missoula and other towns, demand at least the securing of Home Mission Funds to place a Field Missionary into the State. The good women of the Western Conference of the New York and New England Synod have pledged $400 a year to place such an agent into that field.

Finally we ask for a Field Missionary for the State of Oregon and another for that of Washington. These States so wonderfully secured to us through the appeals of the Nez Perces Indians for the white man's book, of which they heard through the expedition of Lewis and Clark. Marcus Whitman, with other missionaries, was sent to these regions. He came to Washington in 1842, telling the Government the importance of the district and danger to its possession, and with 800 settlers returned the following year. This country has to us an additional interest from the fact that the first settlement within it was founded by John Jacob Astor, a naturalized American, who as a Lutheran boy, left Waldorf, Saxony, with his German Bible and Stark's Prayer Book in his satchel, to learn the fur trade in England. With immense resources in timber, fisheries, minerals, grain and fruit, a wonderful climate, these States are destined to be the home of a large and rapidly increasing population, dividing the emigration from Europe with the Atlantic as soon as the Panama Canal opens two years hence. With highly endowed Universities at Eugene and Seattle, other institutions of a high grade, supported by the State and the denominations, with three Lutheran schools of higher education in the State of Washington, and the Pacific Theological Seminary located in its chief city, with the free use of the educational facilities of Washington University, one of the best in the land, we have an opportunity for the rapid expansion of our Missionary operations, such as we have seldom, if ever, possessed, in territory so recently settled. We already stand fifth among the denominations in Oregon and third in Washington, in which States we have scarcely made a beginning. We are confident if our plans for missionary operations and for the endowment of the Pacific Theological Seminary are supported, then we will move steadily toward the first place in these States, in number, rank and influence.

For these neglected fields we ask your help to secure annually by special effort $60,000. Of all Home Mission work, the English, the most important in America, has been most sadly neglected. How long and bitterly was it fought! How few of our bodies make special efforts in this direction! How many of our anglicized sons and daughters, our

most progressive people, as compared with those who speak a foreign tongue, are found in other folds! The care of our own is the most important trust committed to us. To lose our own is to lose our all. It rings the death knell of our Church. Paul measures our responsibilities by our opportunity; but posits a *special* obligation to those who are of the Household of Faith. "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good to all men, *especially* unto those who are of the Household of Faith." Here in the rural districts, towns and cities of these States and provinces are the wandering and straying children of our household. It is not ninety and nine safely kept, but the hundred, the thousand, the million who are away from the Father's house. To these we Lutherans have a *special* duty. What *special effort* are we making to save them? Yea, verily, are not some placing hindrances in the way of any *special effort* to save the anglicized children of our faith? We condemn our fathers for their neglect. They never sinned away the opportunities which are ours. With full knowledge of the needs and of the significance of America to world-wide Missions; with facts to stir and experience to warn; with institutions for the preparation of men and accumulated wealth to speed them on their way, how dare we hesitate? The Muhlenbergs, the Heyers, the Passavants and the men of their day will rise up and condemn us, for they braved the perils of a savage wilderness, journeyed day and night in prairie schooners and wore out their lives in laying the foundations whilst we are making no adequate effort to measure up to the opportunities which they placed within our reach! If the man is worse than an infidel who permits his own to starve, what shall be said of us if we deny the bread of life to our own and block the door of opportunity or stand irresolute, indifferent and unmoved in this crisis.

RECOMMENDATION

We ask that the General Council apportion for each year of the present biennium, the following sums to our respective Synods and urge their payment in full, the secretary of the Council being hereby instructed to communicate the action to the Synods:

	Per Year	
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$40,000 00	
New York and New England Synod	7,250 00	
District Synod of Ohio	6,000 00	
Pittsburgh Synod	5,600 00	
Chicago Synod	3,600 00	
Synod of the Northwest	3,000 00	
Nova Scotia Synod	1,250 00	
New York Ministerium	1,000 00	
Synod of Central Canada	800 00	
Pacific Synod	700 00	
Total		$69,200 00

A. C. ALBRECHT, *Secretary.*

ACTION ON ENGLISH HOME MISSIONS

In the Fifth Session the following were elected members of the

ENGLISH HOME MISSION BOARD

Rev. J. E. Whitteker, D.D., Rev. G. W. Sandt, D.D., Mr. A. C. Albrecht, E. Augustus Miller, Esq., Mr. William H. Hager, Mr. Frank D. Bittner, Mr. John B. Franke.

The Home Mission Report, after reference of the appropriations to the Budget Committee, was adopted as a whole.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. S. G. Weiskotten, it was

Resolved, That a Special Committee of five be appointed to report at this Convention some definite action looking to the publishing of one Missionary Magazine, and more Missionary Literature.

Adopted unanimously.

At a later session, the Rev. Dr. Weiskotten presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY LITERATURE

WHEREAS, There is a wide-spread and growing interest in the cause of missions and a larger demand for missionary information, the following is recommended:

Resolved, That "The Lutheran" be requested to devote more space to missionary news.

Resolved, That "Young Folks" devote as much space as possible to mission information.

Resolved, That we encourage our Mission Boards to incur greater expense in making our missionary publications more attractive in form.

Resolved, That our Boards be requested to make a more special effort to popularize their causes in their publications.

Resolved, That we urge our Boards to use most earnest and immediate endeavor to publish more varied missionary literature, such as mission study leaflets, tracts, booklets, etc., and that they be empowered to secure, without undue consideration of cost, the agencies required to this end.

S. G. WEISKOTTEN, G. A. BRANDELLE,
JOHN A. W. HAAS, CHAS. B. OPP,
G. C. BERKEMEIER, J. H. AXLINE.
GEORGE DRACH,

The Rev. Dr. Pfatteicher presented the

REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

To the President and Members of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

The Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society hereby places before you its report for the past biennium, January 1st, 1911, to January

1st, 1913. The capital of the Society, which is loaned without interest to missions and needy congregations to enable them to secure houses of worship, amounts to $242,909.31. In addition to this we have accumulated in the last two years an Annuity Fund, on which the Society charges interest to pay the annuitants the amount due them, according to our agreement, without any drain upon the capital.

You will be pleased to know that the fund, after having assisted in the erecting of many Lutheran churches in the past, is at present invested in seventy-six churches, located in prominent centres in the United States and Canada, which could not have been built without its timely and beneficent aid. Our whole mission work would be crippled, if not destroyed, without a Church Extension Fund, and it will be greatly accelerated by its rapid increase. If our General Council is to successfully cultivate its growing English Home Mission field in North America, the Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society should have a permanent capital of at least one million dollars.

The Treasurer's report, which has been audited and found correct, shows the following receipts for the biennium:

	1911	1912
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$6,179 71	$6,142 74
Pittsburgh Synod	4,226 27	1,751 50
District Synod of Ohio	1,030 79	715 43
Chicago Synod	219 08	120 54
New York and New England Synod	1,597 03	1,414 08
Synod of the Northwest	792 72	754 01
Pacific Synod	114 63	62 00
Synod of Central Canada	283 15	209 98
Nova Scotia Synod	92 13	9 95
Ministerium of New York	52 12	68 00
Individuals	3,651 10	2,574 12
Legacy from estate of Louisa A. Fritz		982 41
Legacy from estate of Wm. Ashmead Schaeffer on St. Andrew's, Atlantic City	500 00	
Mrs. Jennie Rhinebarger for Jennie Rhinebarger Fund	1,000 00	
Martha Canfield for Martha Canfield Fund	1,000 00	
Mrs. Mary A. Fleck for Mrs. Mary A. Fleck Annuity Fund	1,000 00	
Unclassified Sources	31 91	176 87
Annuity Fund	1,000 00	2,500 00
Rent on Sioux Falls property	2 17	
Interest on deposits	326 26	
Interest on loans, Olney	36 00	
The Samuel Ruff Mortgage, Grace Church, Dunkirk, N. Y.		2,000 00
Annuity Fund		2,500 00
	$23,136 28	$21,981 63

REPAYMENT OF LOAN

The Society is constrained, because of the growing demands, to insist upon the prompt repayment of the loans, and asks the cooperation of our brethren. We desire to be helpful, but after a congregation has received a loan from three to five years without interest, those in authority should see to it that it is returned, in order that it may help to erect a church for others as it has assisted them. We record with gratitude the receipt of the following:

1911

Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, Detroit, Mich.	$5,000 00
St. Andrew's, Atlantic City, N. J.	200 00
Grace Church, Wyndmoor, Pa.	200 00
Resurrection Church, Philadelphia	125 00
Church of the Apostles, Philadelphia	250 00
Holy Trinity, Elizabeth, N. J.	1,800 00
St. Luke's, Toledo, Ohio	500 00
Transfiguration, Philadelphia	100 00
First English, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.	100 00
	$8,425 00

1912

Church at Mount Vernon, New York	$ 50 00
Grace Church, Wyndmoor, Pa.	250 00
St. John's Ch., Ogontz	485 00
Holy Trinity Ch., St. Paul, Minn.	1,000 00
Church of Incarnation, Philadelphia	835 42
Church of Resurrection, Philadelphia	100 00
Zion Church, Olney, Pa.	75 00
St. Luke's, Toledo, Ohio	500 00
Emmanuel Church, Coshocton, O.	100 00
Grace Church, Dunkirk, N. Y., on account of mortgage presented to the Society by Samuel Ruff	110 00
	$3,505 42

We have sold the property at Sioux Fall, South Dakota, in which we had an investment of $5,000 and on which there was a mortgage of $1,000 for the sum of $6,700. It is pleasant to note that, after paying all expenses incident to the sale, there will be a neat balance left in favor of the Society.

ADDITIONS TO THE ANNUITY FUND

The Society has inaugurated this fund for those who are willing to aid with larger sums, but who could not make an outright donation of the same. We agree with these persons to pay them a stipulated sum at fixed periods during their lifetime. This secures to them a guaranteed in-

come as long as life lasts. This is the only part of our fund which we loan out at interest, and we do so for the reasons already given. The following are the receipts during the year:

	1912	1911
Miss Kate S. Sadtler ..... $	500 00	
Mrs. Mark A. Fleck	500 000	$ 1,000 00
Miss Grace Storb	1,000 00	
Miss Henrietta Bartholomew	500 00	
	$2,500 00	$1,000 00
Total		$3,500 00

LEGACIES

We have received from the estate of Mrs. Louisa A. Fritz, late of York, Pa., the sum of $982.41. A like sum was bequeathed to the English Home Mission Board.

Major Enos R. Artman, for many years an honored member of the Board of Managers of our Society, has also bequeathed the sum of $5,000. Much of the money now in our fund has been bequeathed to the Society by persons who appreciate its importance. As our cities increase in number and population, and as our people move into them, this fund must be continually and proportionately increased in order to enable us to meet the conditions. One of the difficult things to secure and one of absolute necessity is an adequate equipment,—that is, a property—a house of worship for our city missions.

The Board also owns lots in Bismark and Mayville, North Dakota, and in Salt Lake, Garden City and Spanish Forks, Utah. We also are prepared to hold title to property in trust for congregations which are not yet chartered.

Our Society mourns the death of two of our managers during the past year: The Rev. A. S. Fichthorn, D.D., the beloved pastor of Holy Trinity Church, Norristown, Pa., and Major Enos R. Artman, a prominent member of the Church of the Holy Communion, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Rev. Samuel Laird, D.D., connected with the Society from its beginning, and for years President of its Board of Managers, has resigned, owing to his inability to attend the meetings, and his successor in St. Mark's, Rev. C. Armand Miller, D.D., was elected to fill the vacancy.

During the past year the Board lost the valuable services of the Rev. George Cowles Smith, who accepted a call to the Redeemer Mission, Aurora, Ill., under the care of the English Home Mission Board of the General Council. The resignation of Rev. Smith was accepted with regret. He had spent a number of years in the employ of the Society with great acceptance to the Church and profit to the fund.

The Agent of the Board, who is also the General Superintendent of the English Home Mission Board, informed the Society that in his judgment the work of the two Boards had grown to such proportions, and their duties were so many and arduous, that no single person would be

able to do full justice to both, or discharge the combined responsibility. He therefore tendered his resignation. When the same was not accepted by the Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society, the matter was referred to the Board of English Home Missions, and the conclusion reached, that the General Superintendent should insist upon his resignation as agent of the Church Extension Society being accepted as soon as a suitable successor could be found. Such a successor has been secured in the person of Rev. Charles L. Fry, D.D., who will begin his labors October 1st, 1913.

OUR SOURCES OF INCOME

Besides Annuities and Legacies already mentioned, there are four additional ways in which the income of the Society may be increased.

First: Annual Membership. This is secured by the payment of $5.00 annually.

Second: Life Membership. This involves the payment of $50.00 at one time.

Third: Permanent Funds. Anyone paying $1,000 may establish a permanent Fund to be known by the name designated by the donor.

Mrs. Jennie Rhinebarger, Roseville, Ohio, $1,000 to establish the Jennie Rhinebarger Fund.

On November 23d Miss Martha Canfield, of St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, sent a check of $1,000 to establish the Martha Canfield Fund.

Mr. Samuel Ruff, of Zion's Church, the father of Rev. G. G. Ruff, our missionary at Dunkirk, N. Y., has loaned to that mission $3,000 without interest for five years, with the proviso that $1,000 was to be paid to the Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary (which has been done), and the $2,000 to be used by his son as a non-interest bearing loan in any mission he may serve during his natural life, and then be given to the Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society. This $2,000 is now to be turned over to the Society under the above conditions and the "Samuel Ruff Perpetual Fund" of $2,000 established.

Fourth: The Lenten Self-Denial. The General Council and its Synods have set apart the season of Lent for a special self-denial offering for the cause of Church Extension. Where congregations and Sunday-schools are not otherwise provided with receptacles through which the offering may be made, the Society furnishes pyramids which, on application, are sent prepaid.

The official name of the Association is "The Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society. Our officers, representatives, and agent are ready to communicate with those who desire to help the cause by donations or the taking out of annuities. Those who make bequests should make them under the name as given above.

Respectfully submitted, in behalf of the Board of Managers.

J. C. KUNZMANN, *Secretary Pro tem.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Pfatteicher, it was

Resolved, That the Church Extension Board be requested to append to all subsequent Reports presented to the General Council a statistical table including the names of parishes to which loans have been granted, their locality, the amount of the original loan, the year in which the loan was granted and the amount re-paid.

The report was adopted as a whole and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

On motion of the Rev. I. C. Hoffman, the following was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D.D., will on the first day of October, 1913, have completed fourteen years of service as Agent for the Church Extension Society, therefore be it

Resolved, That the General Council express its grateful appreciation and hearty commendation of the successful work which has been done by him in this important activity of the Church.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Kunzmann, it was

Resolved, That the work of the Rev. Dr. Charles L. Fry, the new Church Extension Agent, be commended to the Church.

George E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., presented the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION

After receiving the information from the English Recording Secretary of the General Council of the re-election at its last Convention of the five members, whose terms of office had expired, the Board organized by electing the following:

President, Prof. Samuel P. Sadtler, Ph.D., LL.D.

Secretary, Rev. Samuel A. Ziegenfuss, D.D.

Treasurer, G. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq.

Executive Committee, Dr. Sadtler, Dr. Ziegenfuss, G. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., Jas. G. Finley, and Chas. B. Opp.

Finance Committee, Dr. Sadtler, Mr. Jas. N. Mohr, and Mr. Jas. G. Finley.

Change of size of Almanac and Kalender. At various times the suggestions reached the Board that it would be of advantage to change the size of the Almanac and Kalender, thereby making it more convenient for use. This was done, and the new form has received very favorable comment.

Mission Edition of the Kirchenbuch.—Inasmuch as repeated requests for a cheaper edition of the *Kirchenbuch,* intended for mission congregations, have been received, the Board provided such an edition. While the General Council has never taken action on this particular subject, the Board felt that there could be no objection to granting similar privileges to German mission congregations as had been authorized for English mission churches.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

"The Lives of the Twelve Apostles" by the Rev. Otto L. Schreiber. After the manuscript had been examined and approved by a Special Committee in accordance with the rule of the Board, and satisfactory arrangements made for the cost of publication, this book was issued by the Board. It has received favorable notice, and should find its way at least into every Sunday-school Library.

"The Deaconess and Her Work." Translated from the German of Sister Mergner's Book of Outlines of the History, Principles, and Spheres of Labor of the Female Diaconate published in Germany. The translation is by Mrs. Adolf Spaeth.

"Bible Wine: Its Privileges and Appointed Use" by the Rev. J. E. Whitteker, D.D. A paper read before the Lancaster Conference, who requested its appearance in pamphlet form. Dr. Whitteker assumed the cost of publication.

"The Furnished Room Problem in Philadelphia," by the Rev. Franklin Kline Fretz. This study deals with investigation made in the furnished rooms district of the city. It was published by instruction of the Faculty of the Graduate School of the University of Pennsylvania. Only a limited number of copies were printed. It is a pamphlet of 171 pages.

Agreement with Committee on "Selected Works of Luther." In order that there might be a clearly defined understanding regarding the publication of a series of volumes of selected works of Luther in commemoration of the four hundredth anniversary of the Reformation, regular articles of agreement were entered into with the committee. The copy of the first volume is in the hands of the printer, and if the manuscripts of the following volumes are delivered promptly, as per assurances received the prospects of the new undertaking are favorable.

"The History of our American Evangelical Lutheran Mission in India." The manuscript was prepared by the Rev. George Drach, General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the General Council and the Rev. Calvin F. Kuder, missionary at Rajahmundry, India. The desirability of issuing this in permanent form being apparent the book will be published conjointly by the Foreign Mission Board and the Publication Board. It is now in the hands of the printer and it is hoped that the book will be ready for the market by the end of the year. The story of the missionary life and career of Father Heyer deserved to be remembered and told from one generation to another. It presents one of the strongest incentives which can be held out to our people, ministers and congregations, to give their best efforts to the great task of carrying the Gospel to all the world.

"The Documentary History of the General Council," covering the first forty years of the existence of the General Council, appeared in December, 1911. It is a volume of 588 pages and is very complete.

It presents valuable historical material, no longer easily accessible, as well as a reliable record and a trustworthy account of the organization and work of the General Council. A copy should be found in the library of every one interested in its history.

NEW EDITIONS OF OLD PUBLICATIONS PRINTED

The following shows the list of books and pamphlets of which editions have been printed during the last two years, viz.:

English Publications ..... 105,925 copies

Church Book—Large.
Small.
Sunday school Books—Music.
Words.
Little Children's Book.
Catechisms—Miniature.
General Council.
Beginners
Pennsylvania Synod.
Mann & Krotel.
Dr. Trabert.
Dr. Stump.
Church Book with Music.
Way of the Cross.
The Perfect Prayer and Its Lessons.
Explanation of the Common Service.
Book of Concord.
Christian Science Weighed and Tested.
Ministerical Acts.
Conservative Reformation and Its Theology.
The Inner Mission.
Lectures on the Gospels.
Miracle in Stone.
Parable of the Ten Virgins.
Holy Types or the Gospel on Leviticus.
Voices from Babylon.
The Church, Her Communion and Service.
Among the Telugus.
Book of Worship 24 mo.
Bible Wine.
Christmas Vespers, No. 1.
Christmas Vespers, No. 2.
Babes of Bethlehem.

German Publications ..... 37,375 copies

Kirchenbuch Gross-Format.
Mittel—Format.
Klein-Format.
Sonntagschulbuch, Words.
Kleiner Katechismus.
Miniature Ausgabe.
Ministerial Handlungen.
Gesangbuch, Gross-Format.
Klein-Format.

Graded System in Bound Form .....21,000 copies

Lesson Commentary for Teachers.
Bible Story, Scholar's edition.
Teacher's edition.
Bible History, Scholar's.
Teacher's.
Bible Biography.
Bible Geography.
Bible Literature.
Bible Outlines.
Bible Teachings.
In Mother's Arms.

A total of .....164,300 copies

Negotiations for a new edition of Bible Picture Charts with a reliable Lithographing House were completed, and the new edition of these Charts, 104, (52 from the Old Testament and 52 from the New Testament,) was ready for distribution in Advent, 1912. Although the apprehension prevailed that in consequence of the increased cost of production the price to schools would have to be proportionately higher, your Board is pleased to state that by the arrangements of the Business Manager in interesting the Lutheran Book Concern, Columbus, Ohio; the Wartburg Publishing House, Chicago, Ill., and the Augustana Book Concern, Rock Island, Ill., the anticipated change in price was obviated.

During the biennium, "Bible Outlines," a Study of the Bible in Books appeared in bound form. It is a simplified and practical book on the literature of the Bible, which is evidently giving satisfaction by actual use in the schools.

The publication of the Graded Sunday-school Series has been continued and the amounts regularly transmitted to the proper officer of the Work Committee for its expenses as directed by the General Council.

This Series comprises the following:

In Mother's Arms.
Wonderland.
Sunbeams.
Workland.
Sunshine.
Pictureland.
Sunrays.
Bible Story, Teacher's edition.
Bible Story, Scholar's edition.
Bible Readings.
Bible History, Scholar's edition.
Bible Facts and Scenes.
Bible Biography.
Bible Teachings.

Bible Outlines.
Scripture Lesson Quarterly, Teacher's edition.
Scripture Lesson Quarterly, Scholar's edition.
Pocket Lesson Leaf.
Young Folks.
Kinder Blaettchen.
Sonnenstrahlen.
Wandbilder.
Erstes Lesebuch.
Biblische Erzaehlungen.
Biblishes Spruch und Lesebuch.
Sonntagschul-Lektionsblaetter.
Jugend Freund.
The number of copies printed per issue is 196,750; for the year 2,906,300.

In addition to the Sunday-school Literature in periodical form, the combined circulation of *The Lutheran, The Lutheran Messenger, Der Deutsche Lutheraner, The Foreign Missionary, The Home Missionary* and *The Lutheran Church Review,* is 33,500 copies per issue and for the year 955,600 copies.

Extension to Rear Building.—Owing to constantly increasing business and space required for the handling of the new edition of Bible Picture Charts, it was found expedient to utilize the rear of the lot No. 1522 Arch street and erect thereon a two-story brick building, size 16 x 34 feet. This part of the building is also used for storage and shipping. At the same time the building was erected, the outside woodwork was thoroughly repaired and painted.

By the enactments of the State Legislature and the ordinances passed by City Councils, the premises now occupied by the General Council Publication Board, being on the line of the Parkway from City Hall to Fairmount Park, will be taken by the right of eminent domain by the City of Philadelphia for aforesaid purpose. This being the case, the Board, through a proper committee, having in view the advisability of securing another location before all the available sites suitable for the business of the Board had been taken, took options on a block of five four-story dwellings and purchased the same. The newly acquired properties are Nos. 112, 114, 116, 118 and 120 North Seventeenth street, each 18 feet, 8 inches by 139 feet, making a total frontage of 93 feet, 4 inches, less a small corner which will be cut off on the Parkway. The whole lot will be practically a corner lot, facing on the Parkway. The site secured, in the estimation of your Board is one of the best that could be selected in Philadelphia for the price paid, and for the purpose of our publication interests. The Board was unanimous in the selection of this property and on the price at which it was possible to secure it. In the purchase of this property the Board had in mind the repeatedly expressed desire that a general headquarters for the General Council interests be provided in the city of Philadelphia and particularly the resolution passed by the Convention

held at Buffalo, N. Y., 1907 (see Min. of that Convention, page 241). When the progress of the Parkway plans allows us to dispose of our property 1522 and 1524 Arch street, and to proceed in the erection of a building on the new site, the Board will have plans prepared for a building large enough to accommodate all these church purposes.

The terms of the following members expire with this Convention, viz.: Rev. George C. F. Haas, D.D., Prof. Samuel P. Sadtler, Ph.D., LL.D., Mr. James N. Mohr, George E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., Mr. George D. Boschen.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE LUTHERAN

The Lutheran is about to enter upon its eighteenth year of service as the official organ of the General Council. As one who has been connected with its editorial management during all these years and thus been closely identified with its interests, I believe the time has come when the work and mission of the paper under the past editorial policy should be carefully reviewed, in order, if possible, to increase its efficiency and assure for it an enlarged sphere of usefulness for the future. Your editor has from time to time endeavored to make such improvements as seemed to him desirable if not imperative, but has always been halted by financial and other limitations that were placed upon him. If anything is to be done to carry into effect certain improvements he has long had in mind, there should be no delay in taking the necessary steps.

It is evident, however, that any successful movement in this direction is contingent upon the state of *The Lutheran's* financial resources. These, in turn, are dependent upon the manner in which the English pastors and church councils rally to the support of the paper. While *The Lutheran* congratulates itself upon having nearly trebled its circulation since it was first established as a General Council organ, its status with many pastors and congregations who seem to regard it as a luxury rather than a necessity, is capable of being much improved. A more liberal and sustained endorsement should be easily possible. The wide circulation of Methodist church papers is due to the fact, that they are regarded as a necessity and not simply as a convenience. They are placed in the same category of indispensable needs as are the other educational and missionary agencies. The pastors take the same pride in swelling the number of subscribers in the parochial tables as they do in increasing their amounts for the educational and missionary work of the Church. No church member is considered eligible for the office of deacon who is not a reader of the church paper and hence acquainted with the larger interests of the Church. The General Synod at its last Convention took action looking to the creation of a similar sentiment in that body, and the United Synod South has placed behind its church paper a strong and sympathetic support that is giving it rich returns in enlarged churchly vision and interest among its people. *Augustana's* prosperity, with its circulation of more than 21,000 in the Augustana Synod, is due to the united endorsement and support of the pastors who act on the assumption that the church paper is a necessity and not a luxury.

The policy of *The Lutheran,* under the generous management of the Publication Board, has been to put every dollar that comes to the paper into the paper itself. With a church paper reading constituency of practically double the size which *Augustana* and *The Lutheran Companion* are cultivating, it should be easily possible to bring the circulation of *The Lutheran* up to the standard which *Augustana* has set. With the same endorsement and interest that prevail among the pastors in the Augustana Synod, *The Lutheran's* circulation would be nearer 22,000 than 11,000. But this would mean that pastors and church councils must act on the assumption that the paper is a necessity. If *The Lutheran* could rely on such endorsement and assistance, an expensive canvassing propaganda would be rendered unnecessary, and much money would be at the disposal of the management to apply on improvements which the editor has long had in mind.

As this and several other matters have for some time engaged the thought of the editor, he would request this body that a committee be appointed as early in the sessions as possible, with whom he can confer and to whom he can communicate more in detail what he has in mind. He makes this request in the hope that the committee may thus be enabled to present such recommendations to this body as shall result in *The Lutheran's* enlarged influence and usefulness.

We are living in times when interest in the Church and her redemptive work is being greatly overshadowed by ethical, social and humanitarian interests, and church papers that mean to be true to their distinctive mission can not prosper, without the combined and hearty cooperation and assistance of the pastors. A literature that is as superficial as it is harmful to the Church is flooding the homes of many of our people, and it is high time that the importance and necessity of our church literature should be impressed upon them as never before. It must be spoken of as if it had a right to a place in every home and not as if it were an intruder. The church paper is here because there is need for it, and that need must be recognized and insisted on.

During the biennium, a vacancy in the correspondent staff has occurred because of the death of the much-lamented Rev. W. J. Miller, D.D., formerly pastor in Greensburg, Pa. The Rev. G. J. Gongaware, D.D., lately of Pittsburgh, was chosen by the remaining staff correspondents to be his successor; but, as his removal to Charleston, S. C., takes him out of the General Council, his acceptance of the position has naturally not been received and goes by default. As the staff correspondents have thus far filled vacancies, the editor suggests that the matter of nominating a successor be referred to them.

Since the report of the Publication Board was printed, settlement has been made for the properties purchased. While the details will naturally appear in the report two years hence, it is however but reasonable to inform the Church what has been done in providing the money by which the acquisition of the property could be consummated. In the purchase the sum total involved was $103,052.31, against which there was a credit

of $221.38, the net cost therefore being $102,830.93. To provide this, $50,000 was borrowed on bond and mortgage, $44,900 the amount in the sinking fund was used, and $7,930.93 taken out of the current fund. This, with the accounts payable of $5,511.90, wiped out, within a few hundred dollars, the balance in the treasury. This practically leaves the Board with no working capital, and it will therefore necessitate the loan of money on notes to carry on the business of the Board. If Church and Sunday-schools as well as individuals knowing themselves to be indebted will pay their obligations, the amount to be borrowed will be reduced to a minimum, thereby effecting a reduction in the payment of interest.

Very respectfully submitted,

By the Board of Publication.

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1911 to June 30, 1913 Inclusive

Receipts

Cash Balance, June 30, 1911		$17,005 81
Cash from Sales of		
English Publications	$50,363 00	
German Publications	17,789 72	
Sunday-school Literature	82,827 13	
The Lutheran	30,574 93	
The Lutheran Messenger	1,414 42	
The Foreign Missionary	2,200 59	
The Home Missionary	1,757 14	
The Lutheran Church Review	2,575 90	
Der Deutsche Lutheraner	9,037 37	
Rent	3,481 73	
Miscellaneous	32,842 09	
		$234,790 98
Interest on Investments		3,861 66
Redemption of Bonds		5,000 00
Interest on Bank Balances		206 26
Total		$260,937 75

Disbursements

Paper	$24,192 06
Printing	91,345 22
Binding	19,886 25
Plates and Cuts	3,175 46
Merchandise Purchases	32,364 37
Postage and Express	15,550 98
Expenses in issuing Sunday-school literature (including "Young Folks," "Jugend Freund," etc.)	7,423 40

Editorial and Canvassing Expenses:		
The Lutheran	5,577 82	
The Lutheran Messenger	300 00	
Der Deutsche Lutheraner	1,000 00	
General	542 69	
Sinking Fund Certificate of Deposit	5,300 00	
Building Annex and Repairs	2,511 84	
Salaries	26,996 75	
Stationery and Advertising	3,301 33	
Taxes and Water Rents	1,903 75	
Telephone Service	277 95	
Interest	2,700 00	
Insurance	625 36	
Office equipment additional	202 99	
Coal	178 50	
Lighting	271 10	
Boxes, Wrapping Paper and Twine	837 84	
Miscellaneous	474 73	
Total		$246,940 39
Leaving a balance of		$13,997 36

GEO. E. SCHLEGELMILCH, *Treasurer.*

The Resources of the Board consist of the following items:

Real Estate, Furniture and Office Equipment		$61,788 50
Assessed Valuation of Real Estate is $60,000.00.		
Sinking Fund consists of:		
Five $1,000 Market St. Elevated Bonds	$4,700 00	
Five $1,000 Philadelphia Company	4,900 00	
Certificates of Deposit in German-American Title & Trust Company	35,300 00	
		44,900 00
Inventory		32,792 80
Electrotype Plates		8,089 17
Accounts Receivable		30,695 72
Cash in Bank		13,997 36
		$192,263 55
The Liabilities are as follows:		
Mortgage Loan	$30,000 00	
Accounts Payable	5,511 90	
		$35,511 90
		$156,751 65

GEO. E. SCHLEGELMILCH, *Treasurer.*

July 18, 1913.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Cooper, the following was ordered to be incorporated in the Report of the Board:

In the purchase of this property by the Board, much credit is due to the Treasurer, G. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., who manifested great interest and zeal in acquiring a new and suitable site for our publication interests. To a large extent it is due to the unremitting efforts of Mr. Schlegelmilch that the Board has become the owner of the property referred to, and it is not out of place to report here that the Board has put on record its appreciation of his self-denying labors.

The report of the Publication Board was adopted as a whole, including authorization to fill the vacancies among the Staff Correspondents.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Gerberding, it was

Resolved, That we request the Board of Publication to enter into negotiations with the Augustana Book Concern, and, if deemed advisable, also with the Wartburg Publishing House and the Lutheran Board of Publication as to the establishment of a Union Lutheran Book Depository in Chicago.

Adopted unanimously.

The following were elected members of the

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

Term ends 1917

Rev. George C. F. Haas, D.D.	Mr. James N. Mohr.
Prof. Samuel P. Sadtler, Ph.D., LL.D.	Geo. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq.
	Mr. George D. Boschen.

The Rev. Dr. Berkemeier presented the

REPORT OF THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF "DER DEUTSCHE LUTHERANER"

"Der Deutsche Lutheraner," the German official organ of the General Council, is now concluding its fourth year. In these four years it has made slow but steady progress, not only in its circulation, but also, we believe, in the character and tenor of its weekly issues. The latter has, at least, been our constant aim and ambition. Whilst there is danger that a paper of this kind may create contention and strife, we are happy to say, that "Der Deutsche Lutheraner" has been a factor for peace and harmony in our German constituency, uniting and binding our forces together for intelligent, concentrated work.

In editing the paper we are thoroughly convinced that it should serve one purpose, namely, our congregations. Although so largely dependent on the good-will and hearty cooperation of the pastors, still our paper should not be a "Pastoralblatt" but a "Gemeindeblatt." The two cannot

be harmonized. The one would surely detract from the other, and spoil two good things. For this reason we avoid all subtle and technical discussions. We avoid the theological dialect. We try to speak plain to the plain people, i. e., to the people in our congregations. In a way this is a self-denial on our part. It looks easy, and yet it requires great devotion and adaptability and *time*. But an editor has very little time. He necessarily writes under spur. The printer cries "copy." We confess to hasty *writing* sometimes when the call was urgent, but we do not plead guilty to hasty *thinking*.

The editor-in-chief is indebted to a number of dear friends, who have faithfully assisted in making "Der Deutsche Lutheraner" what it is; among these I gratefully and appreciatively mention Rev. Prof. H. Offermann, D.D., Rev. J. G. Hoeppner, Rev. O. Kleine, Rev. H. R. Erdmann, and in Germany, Pastor Martin Ulbrich, who is our regular correspondent, and Pastor L. Schneller. Our relations to the General Council Publication House, and especially to its manager, Mr. Chas. B. Opp, have been uniformly of the most pleasant kind. The editorial work on "Der Deutsche Lutheraner" on the part of the chief editor as well as his associates is gratuitous. The $500 granted by the General Council barely covers our expenses for our special agent, as well as for cuts, fees, and many other incidental expenses, not including the considerable sums required for postage and traveling. We would respectfully ask that the sum granted be raised to $700 annually. "Der Deutsche Lutheraner" is the German official organ of the General Council, and deserves not only the favor, but the hearty support, of all the loyal members of our body.

Respectfully submitted,

GOTTLIEB C. BERKEMEIER, *Editor-in-Chief.*

"Wartburg," Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Aug. 29, 1913.

The report was adopted and ordered spread on the minutes.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. G. A. Benze, it was

Resolved, That we express our hearty appreciation of the valuable services which the Rev. Dr. G. C. Berkemeier has rendered gratuitously and at a great sacrifice of time and labor, as editor of "Der Deutsche Lutheraner," which continues to serve the interests of the General Council so successfully as its German organ.

The Rev. C. R. Tappert presented the

REPORT OF GERMAN HOME MISSION BOARD

If there is crystallized truth in the aphorism of Montesquieu stating that "Happy the people whose annals are blank in history books," then no one need envy the people connected with Home Mission work. A full report of all the various vicissitudes they have to encounter almost day by day would make a pretty bulky chronicle. In summarizing his seven years' experience a former president of the Board very fittingly remarked "that nothing is so stable in mission work as instability." This

is a vexatious fact, for "the perpetual flow of things is not, alas, an easy process like the gliding of a brook over a bed of polished stones." However, as Christians, we believe that a supreme Intelligence is kindly guiding and directing all the contrary currents toward a happy conflux, wherefore even though neither a retrospect of the experiences of the past, nor survey of the present state of affairs would warrant an over-optimistic view, yet we look forward to success with undiminished confidence, and, if there is a pessimist among us, we trust he is a "hopeful" pessimist.

THE FIELD

"No fabled land of joy and song is this
That lieth in the glow of eventide;—
It is a land of rivers flowing free,
Lake-mirrored mountains, rising proud and stern,—
A land of spreading prairies ocean-wide."

According to Perry the cold of Melville Island was so intense that hot water allowed to fall from the topmast reached the deck as hail; mercury could be fired as bullets from fowling pieces, and balls of frozen almond oil when fired at planks pierced them and fell to the ground unbroken. Such and similar accounts were often inadvertently applied to the whole country that fills the gap between the northern boundary of the United States and the Arctic Ocean. When the French monarch signed the treaty which transferred Canada to Great Britain he sought to lessen the importance of his rivals' acquisition by exclaiming, "After all, it's only a few square miles of snow." Not half a century ago an eminent English statesman referred to Canada as "the huge icebound deserts of North America."

Meanwhile a better appreciation of the country is gaining ground. Gradually, even though slowly, it begins to dawn upon the minds that a land, the southern extremity of which is as near as Rome to the equator, while its most northern settlement is on the edge of the Arctic circle,

"An empire stretching from the western wave
To where the rosy dawn enflames the seas,"

that such a land must naturally have as great a range of atmospheric conditions as the whole of Europe.

Nevertheless the great Canadian west has still a rather "hyperborean" reputation. Good people shudder at the very thought of living in such a God-forsaken country, doomed, as they think, from the severity of its climate, to eternal sterility. This misconception is to a great extent created and preserved by wanton misrepresentation. Not many years ago thousands of pamphlets were distributed throughout England in which it was asserted that the climate of Manitoba consists of seven months of arctic winter and five months of cold weather, the object being to attract intending settlers from Canada's icebound deserts to the Elysian fields of North Dakota. Few people realize that a large portion of Canada is in latitudes, which in Europe have proved the most favorable to the health of man, that Toronto is but a few miles farther north than Marseilles, that Ottawa and Montreal are

in the same latitude as Venice, that Quebec is a good many miles farther south than Paris, and Winnipeg about the same distance north of the equator as Havre, Wiesbaden, or Prague, and that all these cities are further south than the famous European capitals: Brussels, The Hague, London, Berlin, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Christiania and St. Petersburg. Nor is the climate so very different. Indeed the winter is more severe in Canada than in the same latitudes of Western Europe but the annual mean temperature is only a little lower and even this slight difference may disappear. It is a matter of actual experience that the climate has been modified not only by the decrease of the forest area and the draining of the swamp lands but also by the tillage of the hardened surface of the prairies. Thus "the same changes, as to climate, are taking place in Canada which were observed in Europe when the dark masses of the Hercynian forest were felled and its morasses drained by the laborious arms of the Germans." (Malte Bruun.) Canada has more sunshine than Europe. It is a good land to live in.

The great areas of rich but vacant land afford unsurpassed advantages to the cattle breeder and the farmer. Great mineral wealth has been unearthed and still greater is, in the opinion of competent prospectors, the value, variety and number of deposits not yet touched. Manufactories are increasing in a surprising manner, the many falls and rapids furnishing immense sources of power. An almost uninterrupted succession of lakes and rivers forms commercial highways of the highest importance. About $100,000,000 have already been expended on the construction of canals, and a survey has been made of a new 30-foot waterway up the St. Lawrence, the Ottawa, and the French rivers to Georgian Bay on Lake Huron, which will enable the Atlantic steamers to take the grain right from the portals of the West on Lake Superior to Europe without breaking bulk. There are more railways under construction, under contract, or projected than in any other country of the world. At the present time 1,200 men are at work to complete the Hudson Bay line from Winnipeg to Nelson, which is expected to be finished by December, 1914, opening another sea-route for the transportation of the products of the West. (This year's wheat crop in western Canada alone is estimated at more than 200,000,000 bushels.)

What only a century ago must have appeared extravagant to say, is now an obvious and undeniable fact, viz., that "nature has marked out this country for exalted destinies." (Malte Conrad Bruun, Danish geographer, born 1775.) *This is our field.*

THE PEOPLE

"And here a mighty people shall arise
A people nurtured in full liberty."

The favorable conditions and wonderful resources and advantages of our field are readily appreciated as soon as they come to be known. It is not surprising therefore, that immigration to Canada began to increase with rapid strides just as soon as better information concerning the country got abroad. While in 1897 the total immigration was not more than

21,716 and in 1902 but 67,379, during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1913, it has reached the astounding figure of 402,432. As this is six per cent of the total population it is evident that a continuance of such an influx would double the population of the Dominion in less than eighteen years, the natural increase not counted. But there are indications that immigration has by no means reached its climax. During the first half of this year the steamship companies of Bremen, Hamburg, Rotterdam, and Antwerp conveyed 297,000 persons to Canadian ocean ports. This does not include the immigrants from the British Isles and the United States. The character of this immigration must also be taken into account. Canada can afford to discriminate. Wheat and chaff are carefully sifted. "We do not seek the immigration of southern Europeans," says the official bulletin. The United States, Denmark, (including Iceland) Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and Germany are among the favored countries. During the year 1912-13 not less than 112,881 persons immigrated from the States, 33 per cent of these making entry for homesteads in Western Canada. The official report on immigration states: "Most of the American settlers are those of mixed nationalities, Germans and Scandinavians going forward in large numbers." Only a few weeks ago (on the 12th of August) W. J. White of the Canadian Immigration Department reported, "that a movement of people of German extraction to Canada from the United States is remarkable. In the past the American immigration came principally from the bordering states of the Middle West. This year a great many are coming from Pennsylvania and Missouri. They are people of the best type who will make the finest class of settlers, having both capital and skill in farming." Last year the immigration from Germany numbered only 4,953 but it is a well known fact that the majority of Lutherans making up our congregations in the West did not come from the German Empire but are Germans hailng from Austria (Galicia) and Russia. The Austrian immigration of last year is given as 21,875 and the Russian as 18,623, not including the (7,387) Hebrews.

According to the latest religious census the increase of the Lutheran Church during the decade 1901-11 was 137,340. Of these 117,576 are accounted to the western provinces, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta. While this shows a vast increase of the Lutheran population (148.43 per cent), the foregoing numbers will convince the careful reader that the religious census does not tell the whole story. We believe, that, with an annual influx of about 400,000 people, more Lutherans enter Canada each year than the whole confirmed membership of the New York Ministerium, which is given as 60,000. At least one-half of these should be reached by the German Home Mission of the Lutheran Church. (As of last year's immigration 7,480 were Finns, Icelanders, and Scandinavians and as a large portion of the 113,000 American immigrants were probably English-speaking Lutherans, there is also a great mission for the three English Synods and the English Home Mission of the General Council, the Swedish Canadian Conference, and the Norwegian, Finnish, and Icelandic Synods.)

There is no doubt, that a large proportion of the growing population of British North America, especially of Western Canada, consists of members of our household of faith. They are our people:

OPPORTUNITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

"Two magnets, heaven and earth, allure to bliss;
The larger loadstone that, the nearer this,
The weak attraction of the greater fails,
We nod awhile, but neighborhood prevails."

A country may be rich in rivers, in ore and luxuriant in soil; it may be well watered as the plains of Sodom, and as accursed as they. Advancement without the Gospel is but going high to have the greater fall. Of what value are lands and forests and mines and factories, if "the pearl of great price" is not there? There is nothing worth living for in such a country.

Conditions are not perfect, of course, in Western Canada, they are not even normal, they might well be called critical. When our first missionaries arrived they were greeted with cordial and grateful appreciation. The settlers were longing and yearning for the old-accustomed offices of the church, now so bitterly missed. They gathered from far and near to see and hear a preacher of the Gospel. A sad change has taken place. An astounding indifference, a religious palsy, yea, open frivolity is not seldom met with by our missionaries. Multitudes are constantly streaming into the country with no other aim than to get rich, to get rich quick, to get rich by all means whatever. Worldliness is prevalent everywhere with all its attending evils: avarice and dissipation, self-indulgence and hard-hearted egotism. A general moral callousness and spiritual apathy is slowly crowding out the sacred conscientiousness and the lofty ideals of Christian culture. Thus it is a most unhealthful atmosphere for a new race to grow up in. In such environments the immigrants only too soon forget their birth-right and lose sight of their eternal hope. They are in danger of becoming heathenized. We would not say, that they have lost respect for the Christian religion, or that they desire their children to be brought up otherwise than in the knowledge and practice of it, or that they themselves have snapped the last tie which associates them with its ordinances, but what chance has religion to become the guiding principle of their life, when the present world with its temptations is so oppressively near and allures them with augmented strength, while the unseen world and the ideas belonging to it appear only as a dim and distant vision in the memory of the past? The church, the family, and all that is good and elevating and sanctifying was left behind in the dear old fatherland. Is it surprising, that under these conditions the gravitation downwards prevails more and more, and materialistic ideas, abundantly suggested from without, find a congenial soil in the hearts of even the best of our people? that after all this world is the only world we securely know, and that the only labor that is worth laboring for, the only care worth caring for, the only joy worth enjoying, is the labor, the care, the joy, that begin and end with it?

At the pre-assembly convention of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, held last June at Toronto, one of the home missionaries (Wm. Right) arose to call the attention of the church to the grave and vexing problems of Western Canada. The effect was immense. The whole audience was fairly carried away. Hands were raised and tears flowed freely. It was a scene as though another Peter the Hermit had arisen to call for a new crusade to redeem the country for the Lord. The upshot was a pledge of $1,200,000,—one million and two hundred thousand dollars—for Home Mission work in Western Canada!

We have still stronger pleas to urge. We not only share the responsibility for the future of the great empire which is here in the process of formation. The people of this country are to a large extent our own flesh and blood, they speak our language, they were baptized and confirmed in our churches. They are more than our neighbors; they are our brethren, children of our household of faith. Surely we are responsible for their souls. They are *our* people.

Your Board has tried time and again to bring these facts home to the Church, appealing as well to the compassion of man as to the love of the brethren, but thus far our efforts have caused hardly a ripple on the smooth and placid surface of the ecclesiastical Pacific where they should have stirred its very depths. Surely it is a gigantic task we have before us. It calls for combined efforts, and concentrated action. Would that the deplorable Ishmaelitism of the different Lutheran Synods which so greatly paralyzes the efficiency of the Church in doing her allotted share of the work would speedily disappear in the face of such immense opportunities and awful responsibilities. It has well been said, "that the Church must have a hand in the shaping of the country. If society crystallizes without her influence, the new country is doomed and will be but another trapdoor to the bottomless pit." ""Lost chances never come again."

The General Council has been kind enough to grant the appropriations asked for by the Board, and some of the Synods have also nobly and faithfully come up to their apportionments, but what we need is more. Only an enthusiasm irresistible and heaven-born, which does not count the cost, and will not shrink from any sacrifice, is equal to the task, and can attempt to carry this contest to the victory.

AN ACCOUNT OF OUR WORK

"Let us be content to work,
To do the thing we can, and not presume
To fret because it's little."

What has been done is little when compared to what should have been done. Still it would be ungrateful to complain. Considering the insufficiency of our equipment and the meagre funds at our disposal we have succeeded fairly well. We have more than held our own.

Although we are keenly conscious of the "just claims of the pulpit for a competent and honorable pecuniary maintenance," our appropriation did not allow us to grant our missionaries more than a minimum salary hardly

sufficient to provide for their wants, altogether too little for a comfortable support. This scantiness of our contributions may be responsible in part for a more than usual restlessness among our force. It cannot however be denied, that, in some cases, a most dishonorable failure on the part of the congregations to meet their obligations is also to be blamed. During the biennium not less than twenty-five resignations occurred. In most cases the missionary remained in the field, accepting a call from some other mission church. Pastor Koehler had to leave the Northwest, after a brief stay, on account of ill health. Two pastors returned to Germany. The one had been here only a few years but could not adapt himself to the conditions of the country. The other had been in our service for more than a decade. He is expected to come back. One of our pioneer-missionaries went to the States, to take a rest. Pastor Leonhardi, who had been ailing for some time followed the advice of his physician, and accepted a call from the East. Pastor Wenning left for Quebec, Pastor Oeser resigned at Macksburg, Ore., to take charge of a new mission in California, and Pastor Holl resigned at Winlock and Chehallis, Wash. Pastor C. J. Mehrtens, who has been serving the small and isolated congregation at Ottenheim, Ky., for more than sixteen years died on the 26th of June, 1913, sorely missed and sincerely mourned by his flock. Several new missions were started by our faithful and untiring superintendent. Three of these are served by their own pastors, others are still vacant and only occasionally supplied by the superintendent and the neighboring pastors.

Ten new men entered our work. Nine of these are graduates of Kropp, one came from the Lutheran Seminary at Columbus, S. C. The various changes in the personnel of our staff may be seen by comparing the table of statistics with the one in the Minutes of 1911. The General Council's agreement with Kropp has again proved a great benefit to the work. Without it we would have been unable to fill our vacancies, yea, we would have been completely paralyzed, as all other sources of ministerial supply have always proved most unreliable. As the last class was exceptionally small, we tried to secure two pastors from Germany who were highly recommended by responsible parties. We did not however succeed, and must avail ourselves of an offer made by the faculty at Kropp to have two of the most advanced members of the senior class examined and sent over before winter.

During the biennium loans to the amount of $2,500 were granted for the building or enlargement of churches and parsonages. The fund not sufficing we had to raise $1,000 on a note. Through the liberality of some lay-members of the Board one-half of this amount could be paid back.

A small pension was granted Pastor Bredlow, who after a long and strenuous service in the vineyard of the Lord is now incapacitated by illness and old age. Pastor Koehler who contracted tuberculosis shortly after his arrival was assisted while seeking recovery in California. Another invalid pastor, H. R. Hauptmann, has also received some small relief.

The college project has not yet materialized. Preparatory steps have however been taken by the Manitoba Synod. Five young men are privately instructed by their pastors ready to enter the school as soon as it is opened. Four parishes: Beausejour-Green Bay, Winnipeg, Strathcona, and Kronau-Davin became self-sustaining, some others are almost ready to carry their own burdens.

Ever since the Joint Synod of Ohio started mission work in Western Canada bitter complaints have been raised by our missionaries against the management and practice of her emissaries. To settle these difficulties a tribunal of arbitration was proposed. On account of regretable delays this important matter is still in suspense. We were surprised when in February last our attention was called to the resolutions of the Joint Synod of Ohio showing that this venerable body acted under the impression that our Board had withdrawn from this project of arbitration. We had never intimated such a move. On the contrary, at the time when the Synod convened, her Mission Board had one of our letters under consideration, and we were awaiting their answer. It is our sincere hope that this controversy which both sides seem to deplore, will soon be brought to an issue, putting a stop to all antagonistic strife, so foreign to the spirit and so detrimental to the welfare of the Church.

The Bellingham parish in Washington has made application for admission to the Joint Synod of Ohio. As these people could not give any valid reason for their withdrawal except that we did not at once comply with their rather peremptory and extravagant demands. we refused an honorable dismissal until the congregation would reimburse us for the amount expended in their interest. The authorities of the Joint Synod acknowledged that the congregations had no just complaint and very honorably desisted from interference. We would not of course attempt to hold congregations against their wishes, but we do not believe in encouraging the perverse propensity of some to throw away all obligations and offer themselves to the highest bidder. There is not a great amount of money involved in this case but a great principle. We hope, however, that this matter also will be satisfactorily arranged in the near future.

ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

Considering the great mission your Board has to fulfill, especially in Western Canada, which in its immensity is appalling, we beg again:

1. That the German Home Mission work be recommended to our Synods.
2. That the churches be requested to implore God's guidance and blessing upon the work.
3. That the appropriation be increased from $11,000 to $20,000.
4. That the amounts be apportioned to our several Synods.
5. That due attention be given the establishment of immigrant missions in Canadian sea ports.

C. Reinhold Tappert, *President.*

Treasurer's Report of the Board of German Home Missions, From August 1, 1911, to August 1, 1913

I. MISSION ACCOUNT

Receipts

Balance in Treasury August 1, 1911		$ 1,575 03
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$ 9,215 50	
Ministerium of New York	3,055 39	
Pittsburgh Synod	1,507 27	
Canada Synod	1,179 34	
Pacific Synod	114 98	
District Synod of Ohio	99 60	
Northwest Synod	29 40	
New York and New England Synod	2 15	
Other Contributions	1,488 86	
Repayment of a Loan	100 00	
President of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania	200 00	
Interest from Bank	57 81	
		$17,050 30
Total		$18,625 33

Disbursements

Missionaries' Salaries in Canada	$10,565 91	
Missionaries' Salaries in Oregon	1,216 69	
Missionaries' Salaries in Washington	415 00	
Missionaries' Salaries in California	400 00	
Missionaries' Salaries in Dakota	350 00	
Missionaries' Salaries in Kentucky	200 00	
		$13,147 60
Superintendent's Salary		2,631 01
Traveling Expenses of Superintendent	$ 386 61	
Traveling Expenses of Missionaries	863 55	
Traveling Expenses of Members of the Board	323 34	
		$ 1,573 50
Special Appropriations to Missionaries		505 00
Printing, Telegrams, Postage, etc.		288 01
Total		$18,145 12
Balance in Mission Account, August 1, 1913		480 21
		$18,625 33

II. CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Receipts

Balance in Treasury, August 1, 1911		$ 813 72
Donations	$ 456 94	
Repayment of a Loan	300 00	
Borrowed on Notes	1,300 00	
		$ 2,056 94
Total		$ 2,870 66

Disbursements

Loans to Mission Congregations	$ 2,500 00
Interest on Notes	90 00
Repayment of Notes	600 00
Total	$ 3,190 00
Deficit in Church Building Fund, Aug. 1, 1913	319 34
	$ 2,870 66

Assets

Outstanding Loans to seven Mission Congregations	$ 2,500 00

Liabilities

Three Notes	$ 700 00

III. SILOAH ACCOUNT

Receipts

Balance in Treasury, August 1, 1911	$ 176 26
Subscriptions	982 02
Total	$ 1,158 28

Disbursements

Printing and Mailing	$ 1,068 20
Balance in Siloah Account, August 1, 1913	90 08
	$ 1,158 28

Respectfully submitted,

H. D. E. SIEBOTT, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, Pa., August 1, 1913.

The undersigned, having carefully examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Board of German Home Missions of the General Council, find the same correct, and in accordance with the above report.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 12, 1913. GEORGE S. OPP.

ACTION ON GERMAN HOME MISSIONS

On motion of the Rev. C. R. Tappert, it was

Resolved, That we express our hearty thanks and sincere appreciation for the valuable services rendered the German mission cause by our Mission Superintendent, the Rev. E. Knappe.

After referring item three to the Budget Committee and postponing the consideration of item five to the time when the Immigrant Board matters are taken up, the Council adopted the report as a whole.

At the request of the General Council, the Rev. Juergen Goos, President of the Manitoba Synod, addressed the Convention with reference to missionary and educational matters in western Canada.

In the Fifth Session the following were elected members of the

BOARD OF GERMAN HOME MISSIONS

Rev. C. Reinhold Tappert.
Rev. Emil J. Kraeling.
Rev. John J. Kuendig, D.D.
Rev. Gottlieb C. Berkemeier, D.D.
Rev. Hugo R. Erdmann.
Rev. Gustave A. Benze, D.D.
Rev. Emil Hoffmann, D.D.
Rev. H. D. E. Siebott
Rev. Philip Kirchner.
Mr. Frederick Kracke.
Mr. Martin Wulff.
Mr. George F. Anger.
Mr. Ernest G. Muncke.
Mr. Adam Lieb.
Mr. John A. Prigge.

The Committee to Audit the Accounts of the Treasurer of the General Council reported. (See Second Session.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Berkemeier, it was

Resolved, That we express our sincere sympathy with our absent brother, Editor George W. Sandt, D.D., that we miss his presence at our Convention, and that we pray for him speedy recovery from his accident.

The President appointed the following Committees:

1. *To nominate German Home Mission Board.*—The Revs. Dr. C. T. Benze, Franz Bambam, F. O. Evers, Messrs. A. Grulich and H. Bitzer.
2. *On Unifying Mission Journals.*—The Revs. Dr. S. G. Weiskotten, Dr. G. C. Berkemeier, Dr. G. A. Brandelle, Geo. Drach, and Dr. W. L. Hunton, Mr. C. B. Opp, and J. H. Axline, M.D.

The Committees to nominate the Porto Rico and English Home Mission Boards reported. (See Second and Fourth Sessions.)

Adjourned, with prayer by the Rev. I. Chantry Hoffman, of Philadelphia.

FIFTH SESSION

St. Matthew's Church,
Saturday, September 13, 9 a. m.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. Frisby D. Smith, foreign missionary, of Tokio, Japan.

The minutes of the Fourth Session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. E. Hoffman read the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GERMAN CONFERENCE

The German Conference of the General Council, having been called by the Committee appointed for that purpose, was in session in St. John's Church at Erie, Pa., Tuesday, Sept. 9th, from 2.30 to 6 p. m., and dealt with the following subjects:

I. Kropp and the General Council.

II. The publication of a monthly paper besides the "Deutsche Lutheraner."

III. The establishment of a college (within the bounds) of the Manitoba Synod.

IV. Immigrant Mission.

The discussions on these subjects resulted in the following resolutions, which are hereby respectfully submitted to the General Council:

Ad. I. "*Resolved,* (a) That this German Conference gratefully acknowledges the most successful work of Rev. A. Hellwege, the Treasurer of the Kropp Commission; (b) is sincerely convinced that the appointment of the Rev. Dr. C. T. Benze as American Professor at the Theological Seminary at Kropp will greatly improve the relations between Kropp and the General Council, and, therefore, prove to be a blessing for the Lutheran Church of North America, and (c) that we rejoice at this step having been taken and wish our brother an abundance of Divine blessing in his new field of labor."

Ad. II. *Resolved,* (a) That the General Council appoint a committee of five to devise and plan for the publication of parish papers for the needs of individual congregations or groups of congregations, and that the General Council Publication Board be instructed to carry out this plan as speedily as possible; (b) that this German Conference express its sincerest approval of the "Deutsche Lutheraner," especially of the untiring and successful efforts of the editor, the Rev. Dr. Berkemeier, in the interest of the paper, and that we consider it our duty to secure for the same an ever increasing number of readers in our congregations.

Ad. III. *Resolved,* (a) That this German Conference express its delight at the presence of the President of the Manitoba Synod, the Rev. J. Goos, at this meeting; (b) that we again give expression to our sincerest interest in the difficult, but most important, pioneer work done by our beloved brethren in the Canadian Northwest, especially in the problem of establishing a college in the Manitoba Synod; (c) that we request the General Council to give the Rev. J. Goos an opportunity of giving an account of the needs of the Manitoba Synod in connection with the report submitted by the Missionary Superintendent, Rev. E. Knappe; and (d) that we request the General Council to see that the traveling expenses of the Rev. J. Goos be paid from the treasury.

Ad. IV. *Resolved,* (a) That we rejoice in the fact that our Emigrant Mission Work in the harbor of New York has found in the person of

the Rev. F. O. Evers an eminently gifted leader, whose report of his work we have heard with deepest interest; (b) that we recommend the General Council to give Rev. Evers an opportunity to speak on the importance and prospects of German Emigrant Mission; (c) that we recommend the acceptance by the General Council of the propositions made by the Board of Emigrant Missions, especially those which refer to the establishing of Emigrant Mission Stations in Canadian harbors (Montreal and Quebec, Halifax and St. John).

All the recommendations were adopted, excepting that on Immigrant Missions, deferred, and the report was adopted as a whole.

The President appointed the

Committee on German Parish Papers.—The Revs. G. C. Berkemeier, D.D., E. A. Tappert, H. R. Erdmann, G. A. Benze, D.D., and Mr. C. B. Opp.

The Rev. J. C. R. Luehrs presented the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF IMMIGRANT MISSIONS

The work of Immigrant Missions of the General Council at the port of New York has undergone several very important changes during the past biennium. In the spring of 1912 Rev. Gustav Doering, for almost ten years the faithful worker of the General Council in this work, presented his resignation to your Board. Since, in spite of the explanations and pleadings on the part of your Board, the Commissioner of Immigration at Ellis Island, the Hon. William Williams, repeatedly refused to reinstate Pastor Doering to his position as missionary at the Immigrant Station, and also succeeded in having the privilege of a pass to the piers of the steamship lines withdrawn from your missionary and his representative by the Surveyor of the Port of New York, your Board under these circumstances accepted the resignation with deep regret. In a set of resolutions, especially prepared, your Board again strongly emphasized its confidence in the integrity of the character of Pastor Doering, and expressed its appreciation of the faithful and able services, which he rendered to the cause of Immigrant Missions and to the Emigrant House for almost a decade.

On September 1, 1912, the Rev. Fritz O. Evers, of Englewood, N. J., became his successor. To him the Commissioner extended the usual privileges granted the missionaries at Ellis Island, and during the remainder of his term of office, Commissioner Williams treated him with every courtesy and consideration.

It may be well to mention in this connection the fact, that, following the difficulties with missionaries and immigrant houses represented at Ellis Island, the Commissioner General at Washington, D. C., after a personal investigation, issued "Rules for Missionaries and Immigrant Aid Societies represented at Immigrant Stations," a copy of which is submitted with

this report. Herein the position of missionaries, their rights and their duties are clearly defined, as well as the conditions, under which the business of immigrant houses is to be conducted. Among other concessions the dealing in steamship tickets and the exchange of money by immigrant societies are now recognized as a legitimate source of income for institutions of this character.

During the past two years 6,000 people found shelter at the German Emigrant House, No. 4 State street, New York. Services were held for them at the chapel every morning and evening. Two hundred and twenty-three destitute immigrants, who had met with reverses during the first few months of their stay in this country, were assisted with money; 671 meals were served to the poor and unemployed. The number of those, for whom we secured employment, goes beyond the 1,000 mark. The guests of the Home were met on their arrival and assisted at their departure from New York. From January 1st to July 1st, 1913, 339 persons or parties, of whose arrival we were advised beforehand, were met by our representative at the pier and assisted.

On Ellis Island your missionary paid daily visits to the detention quarters. Wherever possible he lent his services to expedite the landing of these people, located relatives, secured affidavits, telegraphed for money, etc. In special cases he appealed on behalf of desirable immigrants, whom the law had excluded, and with a few exceptions gained admission for his charges. There is a great amount of "seelsorge" required among the detained classes. Comforting the distressed, cheering the downhearted, caring for their spiritual wants as well as providing for their bodily needs, distributing Christian reading matter among them, etc., remains one of the principal duties of your missionary.

Outside of this, however, the heart and core of the work of Immigrant Missions is to be found in meeting and welcoming the incoming stranger. Seventy-five per cent. of the immigrants will leave Ellis Island at once by rail and proceed under the protection of the government without delay to their places of destination. Here, then, is the opportunity of the Church, of their own Church, to meet and greet her own children at the entrance gate to their new country. The immigrants receive from your missionary, who goes around among them, all the information they need, are assisted in purchasing tickets, provisions, exchanging money, arranging their baggage, are provided with the "Lutherische Kalender," and copies of the *Deutsche Lutheraner* and other German General Council literature, which the Board of Publication very kindly places at the disposal of your missionary. Wherever possible, the immigrants are asked their names and addresses, and postal cards are sent to the nearest Lutheran pastor, requesting him to look after these people and to see that their spiritual wants are administered to. Where there was no German General Council church, the pastors of German synods of the General Synod, preferably the pastors of the German Iowa Synod, in many instances members of the Joint Synod of Ohio, and also Missouri pastors, were notified of the arrival of immigrants within their parishes.

Experience in scores of cases has assured your missionary that this phase of our work is not only the most important, but also the most fruit-bearing. Make these strangers feel that at the very sill of their new home there stands their own Church ready and willing to assist them in their small wants and cares, extending a glad hand of welcome to them as her children, and you will make an everlasting impression upon their hearts and minds. Here our work reaches out into the multitudes. Thousands came under this influence during the past year. Truly, this is Church-propaganda in a direct and efficient way, bringing the newcomer at once into contact with his own Church and often preventing him from going astray in the first years of his hard struggle for a new existence upon our soil. In this way the Immigrant Missions of the General Council are to be looked upon as a very valuable, yea, indispensable contributor to the cause of German Home Missions and the growth of our German Church.

To the majority of the German travelers the name of your mission and your missionary is already familiar, thanks to the faithful services of the emigrant missionaries at the ports of embarkation. The intimate historical relations between your Board and the "Auswanderer Mission" of the Inner Mission Society of Bremen, Germany, although they received a slight moderation in financial matters, were carefully maintained and contributed eminently to the efficiency of the work on this side of the ocean. We were also very fortunate in securing a pledge of hearty co-operation exclusively with our mission from the "Komitee fuer Auswanderer Mission" at Hamburg, Germany, who have found in Pastor H. Bohlke a very able and zealous worker. The president of the Board of Trustees of the Emigrant House, Mr. M. Wulff, is in Germany at the present time, where he will meet in conference with the representatives of the Bremen and Hamburg Emigrant Missions in order to bring about a thorough understanding as to the methods of our mutual co-operation. These brethren in the work on the other side deserve the cordial recognition and sincere appreciation of their unselfish labours on the part of the Lutheran Church of the General Council.

Formerly the work among the immigrants had to be done along charitable lines. Today its character is truly missionary. Today the government provides the protection and guidance, which formerly had to be offered the immigrant by our societies. In this respect we have succeeded wonderfully and reached our aim in awakening the conscience of government and people, that the duty of guarding and guiding the new arrivals devolved upon the nation. May it be remembered that the missionary of the General Council was the first of any engaged in this work.

This change in the character of our work has eliminated the necessity of so large a rooming house for immigrants, as the Lutheran Emigrant's House Association has been conducting for many years at the Battery in New York. The cost of maintaining such an institution, especially during the difficulties of the two years 1911 and 1912, by far exceeded the income. Therefore as an opportunity was offered during this spring to dis-

pose of the present building at a reasonable profit, the Trustees of the Home accepted the offer and sold the house. With this action the change in our work now becomes complete, and since the Board has passed a resolution, to refrain from housing and feeding immigrants and travelers in the future at its own expense, the missionary character of the Immigrant Mission at New York now is clearly established. Negotiations as to the future location of our headquarters are still pending at this time.

During the past year the Hamburg-American Line opened a new regular service between the ports of Hamburg and Boston. It was this fact that prompted your missionary to communicate with the President of the General Council regarding the question of the competency of the present Board of Immigrant Missions, to take action in immigrant matters of general concern, as it was, to open an Immigrant Mission at Boston. Your president asked the Board to defer action until the General Council had expressed itself on this question. In the meantime the Board took the entire subject of Immigrant Missions and the whole field of this cause under diligent consideration, appointing a special committee to investigate this matter and report, and finally adopted the following resolutions, which also contain important recommendations to the General Council:

In the course of the last few years a number of ports along the Atlantic coast have come into importance alongside of New York. The German steamship lines also go, outside of New York, to Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore and Galveston. Some of their steamers also land passengers at Halifax. In 1912 the immigration was as follows: Boston, 49,000; Philadelphia, 47,000; Baltimore, 21,000; Galveston, 5,000; Halifax, 34,000; St. John, 25,000; Quebec, 126,000. New York had 737,000. The percentage of German immigration ought to be larger at the smaller ports, since the German lines there control the traffic almost without competition, therefore nearly all the immigrants arrive on German ships.

The General Council up to now is represented only at New York and Philadelphia. In New York the work was done under the direction of the Board of Immigrant Missions of the General Council in connection with the Lutheran Emigrant House Association, while in Philadelphia a Synodical Committee of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania had charge of the work. It will now be necessary to take up Immigrant Missions at the other ports, especially at Boston and the Canadian landing-places, Quebec in summer time, Halifax and St. John in winter time. Who shall do the work? Local associations, which command only limited means? People, who themselves receive the least number of immigrants into their own territory? Or the Church as such? The Church, to whom belongs the entire field of the continent in all its parts? Surely, it is the duty of the Church to take upon herself this work. The individual station (outside of New York, which will always be of pre-eminent importance), will remain weak and unimportant. It would have to enter separate relations with the Emigrant Missions of Germany, perhaps also to bear the expense of this work. Without this preliminary work on the other side, Immigrant Missions are crippled. It would also have to seek its separate

connections in this country, with pastors in the large cities and synods outside of the General Council. However, the smallest station also works for the entire field of the Church.

Historically the Board of Immigrant Missions of the General Council is limited to the port of New York. Are we willing to heed the demands of the hour? Then a representation of the entire Church ought to be put in charge of the entire work at the same time. Immigrant Missions remains a vital question for the German parts of our Lutheran Church, as long as she supplies her ranks from immigrants from the fatherland. Therefore Immigrant Missions should claim a place in the foreground of the interest of the Church alongside of Home Missions.

For the above-named reasons your Board respectfully submits to the General Council the following recommendations:

1. To begin the work at Boston, Halifax, St. John and Quebec without delay.

2. To create a general Board of Immigrant Missions, in which all the individual stations are represented.

This Board, representing the Lutheran Church of the General Council, should enter into relations with the Emigrant Mission stations of Germany, should appropriate a sufficient contribution to their expenses for the preparatory work done in German ports.

The Board should also officially approach the German Synods of the General Synod, the Iowa Synod and Ohio Synod, and ask them to support this work, which is being done at the coast by the General Council for all Lutheran Synods, regularly and officially.

The Board should see to it that uniform methods are employed at the different stations, so that the work may easily be overseen, and uniform statistics made possible. It should annually issue a general report on Immigrant Missions carried on by the General Council at all stations.

The Board should also regard the question of immigration as a national question, examine laws to be made and applied, and insist upon improvements, whenever necessary.

The Board should distribute detailed information as to immigrant laws and general conditions of living and labor in the United States among emigrants from Europe.

The Board should secure reliable representatives in the large cities, who are in touch with all stations, to direct immigrants to them and have these men locate and notify the Lutheran pastor situated nearest to the immigrant. In large cities lodging-places of good character should be found, where immigrants would find suitable quarters. Chicago, Milwaukee, and Pittsburgh are without such provision.

3. The control of the individual station shall lie in the hands of local organizations, which are entirely independent as to their business affairs and matters of local concern.

4. We ask the General Council to appropriate by apportionment for the next two years the sum of four thousand dollars ($4,000), annually for this work.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF IMMIGRANT MISSIONS

July 1, 1911 to July 1, 1913.

Mission Account

1911, July 1. Balance on hand		$ 283 86
RECEIPTS		
Donations from congregations, societies, Sunday-schools and individuals		1176 62
		$1,460.48
DISBURSEMENTS		
Salaries to Missionaries, Rev. Doering and Rev. Evers	$ 999 84	
Mission in Bremen, Germany	50 00	
Traveling expenses and sundries	162 44	
Printing, office, books	45 69	
Christmas celebration at the Emigrant House and Ellis Island, 1913	25 91	
		$1283 88
1913, July 1st. Balance		$176 60

Poor Immigrants Account

1911, July 1st. Balance on hand		$ 24 22
RECEIPTS		
Donations	$ 301 67	
Deficit	18 93	
		$320 60
		$344 82
DISBURSEMENTS		
223 cases of assistance	$ 176 32	
671 meals	168 50	
		$344 82

RECAPITULATION

Balance of Mission Account	$176 60
Deficit of Poor Immigrants Account	18 93
Balance, July 1, 1913	$157 67

FRIEDRICH KRACKE, *Treasurer*,

New York, July 1st, 1913.

The books and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Board of Immigrant Missions of the General Council, Mr. Frederick Kracke, were examined by your committee, and found correct. This covers the time from July, 1, 1911, to July 1, 1912.

OTTO LINDEMANN,
JACOB DANGLER,
PETER REPPENHAGEN, *Auditing Committee.*

New York, Oct. 24, 1912.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. F. HAAS, *Chairman,*
D. W. PETERSON, *Secretary,*
FRITZ O. EVERS, *Missionary.*

On motion of Rev. Dr. Weiskotten, it was

Resolved, That a special committee be appointed to consider the whole field in all its aspects, and to report at this session.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Kunzmann, it was

Resolved, That all Resolutions that have been or may be brought up on this subject be referred to this committee.

Committee on the Immigrant Mission.—Mr. James M. Snyder, the Revs. Dr. G. C. Berkemeier, Dr. E. Hoffmann, F. H. Bosch, E. A. Tappert, Dr. G. A. Brandelle, Dr. A. L. Ramer, Dr. J. A. W. Haas, Messrs. F. P. D. Miller, W. S. Mohr, G. A. Kayser, and Hon. C. R. Lantz.

In the Eighth Session the Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE IMMIGRANT MISSION BOARD

Your committee met on Saturday, Sept. 13, all members being present. The Rev. Dr. Ohl, of Philadelphia, Pa., and the Rev. F. O. Evers, of New York, were invited to participate in the deliberations.

After the Immigrant Missionary, F. O. Evers, and the Rev. Dr. Ohl had given the Committee a very comprehensive and exhaustive account of existing conditions and of changes desired, and after very careful consideration of the facts and conditions on the part of the Committee, it was resolved to present the following recommendations to the General Council:

Resolved, 1. That the General Council request the Augustana Synod in connection with its own work among the immigrants to care for other immigrants in the port of Boston, Mass.

2. That we are glad to record, that the Pennsylvania Ministerium is carrying on the work among the immigrants and seamen at Philadelphia.

3. That we request the Canada Synod, to carry on the work among the immigrants at the Canadian ports.

4. That in case it is necessary, to ask the assistance of the General Council, the Canada Synod be privileged to appeal to the congregations of the General Council for such help.

5. That the General Council Board of Immigrant Missions appoint and support a missionary to work among the Slavs and Magyars at Ellis Island.

6. That we indorse the appeals which are made by our Immigrant Missionary to support the Emigrant Mission work on the other side of the ocean.

7. That, as this is the first appearance of the newly elected Immigrant Missionary, Rev. F. O. Evers, before the General Council, we express our gratification, that Brother Evers has entered upon his work with such enthusiasm and zeal; that we realize, that he is confronted with many difficult problems in the future reorganization of the work, due to the fact, that the Emigrant House will be discontinued and all energies will be concentrated on the mission work; that we wish him wisdom from above as well as patience and perseverance; and that we commend him and the great cause of our Immigrant Mission to the sympathy and prayers of our people.

8. That we kindly invite the Seamen's Missionary of New York to be present at the next meeting of the General Council and present this cause.

9. That we inquire of the other Immigrant Stations as to the necessity of Seamen's Mission work in other ports (Boston and Canada).

Respectfully submitted,

Your Committee,

FRED. H. BOSCH, *Secretary.*

The report was adopted.

In the Eighth Session the following were elected as the

THE BOARD OF IMMIGRANT MISSIONS

Rev. Geo. C. F. Haas, D.D.
Rev. Alexander Richter.
Rev. John A. Weyl.
Rev. Daniel W. Peterson.
Rev. John J. Heischmann, D.D.
Rev. Allen L. Benner.
Rev. John Dianiska.
Rev. Jacob W. Loch, Ph.D.
Rev. Ernst A. Tappert.
Rev. Frederick Sutter.
Mr. Otto Lindemann.
Mr. Martin Wulff.
Mr. Frederick Kracke.
Mr. Peter Doerr.
Mr. Chas. Bruening.

On motion of the Rev. E. F. Bachmann, it was

Resolved, That the General Council express its sincere appreciation to the Inner Mission Society of Bremen and its pastor, the Rev. C. Frick, and to the "Komitee fuer Auswanderer Mission" at Hamburg and its pastor,

the Rev. H. Bohlke, for their most cordial and effective co-operation with our Emigrant Mission in New York and the hope that also with the proposed expansion for our work these most cordial relations may continue.

The Rev. C. R. Tappert presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE EMIGRANT HOUSE MISSION

Your Committee on Emigrant Missions in the Port of New York respectfully reports, that, at a meeting held at the Emigrant House, No. 4 State street, New York, it was found that all differences had been settled. All of which is respectfully submitted by your Committee.

A. B. Moldenke, Ph.D., *Chairman*,
H. C. J. Kraeling, *Secretary*,
C. R. Tappert,
W. M. Horn,
F. W. Oswald,
C. B. Schuchard,
J. A. Prigge,
W. H. Steinkamp,
T. Roehrs,
E. C. Muncke.

The report was adopted as above stated.

The Rev. C. R. Tappert presented the

REPORT OF THE KROPP COMMISSION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

Your committee has carried on the work assigned to it. It is not for us to point out the good judgment and wisdom of the General Council in making an agreement with the Seminary of Kropp and creating a special Commission to assist in regulating the relations of our Church and this institution abroad; a perusal of the report of the German Home Mission Board will suffice to convince the reader of the great necessity, yea indispensableness, at the present time, of such an arrangement, and abundantly justify the course taken by the General Council.

Six sessions were held. Rev. Theo. E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., was re-elected president, and Rev. C. R. Tappert, secretary. Dr. Hugo W. Hoffmann, who had tendered his resignation as treasurer, was prevailed upon to hold his office till a suitable successor would be found. Prof. H. Offermann, D.D., succeeded the late Dr. A. Spaeth in representing the faculty of the seminary at Philadelphia. The president availed himself of the privilege granted by the General Council to enlarge the Commission. Rev. A. B. Moldenke, Ph.D., Rev. L. Koenig and Rev. A. Hellwege were added to the membership of the Commission. The latter was elected treasurer on January 31, 1912. The Commission passed a vote of thanks in acknowledgment of the valuable services the first treasurer, Dr. Hugo W. Hoffmann, had rendered the cause during the initial period of storm and stress.

Every effort was made to ameliorate our embarrassing pecuniary situation but apparently without success. March 12, 1912, we found ourselves compelled to authorize our treasurer to contract a loan of $2,500, the members of the Commission going security for the note. Since then we have been able to meet our obligations and to repay the loan.

The following details may be of interest. The Commission granted a request to allow one of the students to enter the mission work of the Lutheran Church in Brazil, in consideration of the subvention the Kropp Seminary had received and still receives from the Lutheran Gotteskasten of Bavaria. This student will be taken from the large class of 1914. The Commission granted the request of the Canada Synod to allow one student to accept a call from the Denbigh parish in consideration of the liberal contribution ($800 annually) this synod is making toward our treasury. (Denbigh is about forty miles from the nearest railroad station, and had been vacant for more than a year.)

The Commission congratulated Pastor Ketels, treasurer of the Kropp Seminary, on his having had conferred on him an order and other marks on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of his ordination.

Twenty-four copies of the Kirchenbuch, 6 copies of the Church Book, 7 Agende, and 48 copies of "Konstitution und Freibrief des General Konzils" were sent to Kropp.

The election of Pastor Doernte as director of the Seminary was approved in June, 1912, likewise the election of his successor, Pastor Ernest Rohnert. For some time the directorium of the seminary has been requesting, yea urging your commission to send an American professor who would be a member of the faculty with the special duty to teach Americana. After having considered several names, we finally believed that we found in Professor C. T. Benze, D.D., the ideal man for the position. We have been assured that our action is highly appreciated, and our candidate persona gratissima. The transactions have not yet come to a conclusion.

The agreement made with Kropp by the General Council has been instrumental to the bringing into our field of a number of very efficient young men who have devoted themselves to the mission cause with great proficiency and self-sacrificing zeal, and have contributed a great deal to the program of our important and promising mission work.

We received from Kropp during the biennium nine graduates: E. Tuerkheim, J. Grill, H. Struewing, J. Mueller, H. Stippich, F. Lucaz, W. Mahlstedt, R. Kranz, and —— Kersten, who are now at work in western Canada. One graduate, H. Goman, was called to Denbigh by the Canada Synod. G. Kaiser went to the Philadelphia Seminary, and is now serving the Pittsburgh Synod. Two students were honorably dismissed, to continue their studies at Philadelphia. The last class being exceptionally small, the supply did not meet the demand, but the prospects are now good for a large increase in the number of students.

The present situation is as follows: The value of the Seminary property is estimated at 60,000 M, absolutely free from all indebtedness. Our remittances have gone toward the support of the faculty. The treasurer, Pastor Ketels, writes (under the 1st of August, 1913): "While during the first years following the conclusion of the agreement the regular payment of this amount seemed to meet with some difficulties, during the last two years the American installments have been forthcoming with extraordinary promptitude." The household expenses of the Seminary have been defrayed by the Board in Kropp, by tuition wages of the students, the annual subvention of the Gotteskasten, and smaller private contributions.

A number of students are not able to pay their way in full. To these a respite of payment is granted. It is, however, keenly felt that it is hardly fair to send a man into all the hardships and privations of mission work with a big I. O. U. dangling about his neck. On April 17, 1912, the directorium of the Seminary passed the resolution that all moneys advanced to students since the reorganization of the Seminary in 1902, when paid back shall be used for the foundation of beneficiaries (Stipendien).

There are at present 37 students at the Seminary, 13 in the first, 4 in the second, and 11 in the third class. In the first class of the pro-seminary there are 4, in the second 5. Two students of the first class intend to enter the Seminary in Philadelphia; one student had to be dismissed.

The faculty consists of Pastor Ernest Rohnert, director; Pastor Loth, Cand. Theol. Rausch and Pastor Paulsen. A special course of lectures in American Church history is provided. In Liturgics, special stress is laid on a thorough study of the Kirchenbuch. Bible and Church Book are studied by the members of the English class.

The Commission feels greatly indebted to the Church, the pastors as well as the congregations, for the kind interest and noble assistance received.

C. R. TAPPERT, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF KROPP COMMISSION

February 14, 1912 to July 31, 1913

Receipts

Former Treasurer, Rev. Dr. H. W. Hoffmann, balance in treasury,		$182 46
Treasurer of Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$3,235 01	
Treasurer Ministerium of New York	1,879 91	
Treasurer Canada Synod	1,373 14	
Treasurer Pittsburgh Synod	81 43	
Other Contributions	1,244 72	
Interest from Bank	15 88	
		$7,830 09
Loans		2,500 00
Total		$10,512 55

Disbursements

Mar. 13, 1912, to Rev. H. Ketels, Treasurer Kropp Seminary....	$2,500 00
May 28, 1912, " " " " "	500 00
Aug. 17, 1912, " " " " "	500 00
Oct. 3, 1912, " " " " "	500 00
Dec. 2, 1912, " " " " "	500 00
Jan. 15, 1913, " " " " "	500 00
Feb. 21, 1913, " " " " "	500 00
May 2, 1913, " " " " "	502 00
May 5, 1913, " " " " "	500 00
June 11, 1913, " " " " "	500 00
	$7,002 00
May 14, 1912, to Mr. Peter Woll, Repayment of Loan.....	2,000 00
Apr. 12, 1913, " " " "	500 00
Miscellaneous Expenses	45 04
Total	$9,547 04
Balance in Treasury	965 51
	$10,512 55

ADOLPH HELLWEGE, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, Pa., August 1, 1913.

The undersigned having carefully examined the books of the Treasurer of the Kropp Commission, found the same correct, and in accordance with the above report. H. D. E. SIEBOTT, *Auditor.*

Philadelphia, Pa., August 26, 1913.

The report was adopted as a whole and permission granted to add a paragraph.

Mr. W. H. Hager presented the

REPORT OF FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Finance and Budget submits the following report, divided into *Section 1, Finance,* and *Section 2, Budget.*

SECTION 1—*Finance.* From the figures submitted to our committee by your Treasurer, covering receipts and payments to August 9, 1913, we submit an analysis of our finances which is interesting. Total receipts to above date for Biennium aggregate $5,189.00 against receipts in fall 1911 biennium of $4,399.00. Note that this $5,189.00 covers $410.00 of deferred payments due in 1911, but received too late for Treasurer's report. This shows a total of $4,809.00 received against the apportionment of the 1911 biennium of $5,000.00, and $4,779.00 of the $5,000.00 due for the 1913 biennium. Expenditures to above date aggregate $3,390.00 against

expenditures in full for 1911 biennium of $1,950.00, showing an increase in expenditures of $1,440.00. Balance to above date $4,248.00 over against balance, 1911, of $2,449.00, and *providing* those Synods in arrears shall meet the unpaid balance of their apportionment *at least* for the past biennium, which we sincerely trust they will cover, our balance should aggregate $4,868.00.

Permit us to recommend to our delegates, a careful reading of the Treasurer's report covering the General Council's finances, in order that they may clearly recognize the necessity of such a fund, noting expenses of important conferences and visits of delegates during the past biennium. Also the fact that an exceedingly small amount has been applied for clerical assistance to your officers, and your committee will continue to urge them to provide more adequately for such aid, as may fairly lighten their valued work.

We recommend as a wise move the raising of the apportionment for the biennium to at least $8,000.00 which would then allow us to grant reasonable requests for unusual expense items, on the part of important Boards or committees. Finally, we would most earnestly recommend that the General Council take an advanced position for more efficient and sound financial methods, and through a well-considered candid declaration, urgently request that congregations, conferences and Synods look upon their apportionments to the various interests of the Church, as a strict business obligation, to be duly provided for and met. We believe this would help to bring about an awakened conscience in Church finance and bring unmeasured benefits to all Church work.

Section 2—*Budget.* Your committee have asked for and received, in advance of the coming meeting of the General Council, the specific amounts which your Boards will request for their work during the coming biennium. We herewith tabulate the same as enclosed, for the benefit of the delegates, also the apportionments for the previous biennium for comparison sake. We present these figures without comment as they must be considered in detail at a later meeting of our committee. We had further hoped to show to what extent these various apportionments have been met, but up to this time have not received data requested from the Treasurers of several of the Boards. We would recommend, in order to facilitate the work of your Finance and Budget Committee and your various Boards as well, that there be a uniform date, not later than July 1st, for the closing of Synodical Treasurer's books.

From the reports of the Treasurer of our various boards, covering up to about July 20th to Aug. 1st, the following percentages substantially represent the deficit on the apportionments of the various boards of the General Council: Foreign Missions, about 22½ per cent; English Home Missions, about 31½ per cent.; German Home Missions, about 37 per cent.; Porto Rico Missions, about 39 per cent.; Slav Missions, about 25 per cent.; University Work, about 65 per cent.

These figures are vitally important because they clearly indicate the hardships visited upon these various boards, who figure carefully and lay their plans for two years' work ahead, and then are compelled to work out their problems as best they can, facing (in four out of five of the boards) a shortage of from 20 per cent. to 35 per cent.

It is the most convincing argument that can be presented for reform in our methods of finance.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the apportionment for General Council expenses be fixed at $8,000 for the biennium.

2. Resolved, That the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America endorses and recommends for adoption by Synods, Conferences, and Congregations, the sound business principle, that all apportionments regularly adopted by the General Council and its Synods should be considered a business, moral, and Christian obligation, and be duly met in full.

And be it further resolved, That the Secretary of the General Council mail a copy of these resolutions to the several Synods of the General Council, with the request that the same be transmitted to each congregation.

3. *Resolved,* That we grant the reasonable request of the Education Board for an appropriation of $1,000 for the biennium, from the General Council Treasury, in order to meet their necessary expenses for publication work, traveling, etc.

4. The Finance and Budget Committee respectfully request the Augustana Synod to reconsider their expressed inability to continue their support to the Slovak and Jewish missionary interests, because of the rapidly growing need for money to meet the Slovak and Jewish work. We make the above request because of Augustana's great influence and financial strength, and the effect of its example upon other Synods.

5. We recommend that there be established the office of Statistician of the General Council, whose duty it shall be to secure all data relative to our financial operations, and such other data as may be desired. Further, that the Synods, Conferences, and Congregations of the General Council furnish all such information upon request of the Statistician.

6. WHEREAS, The Finance and Budget Committee has received requests to excuse certain Synods from their apportionment to certain work of the General Council Board, therefore be it

Resolved, That, in the judgment of our Committee, every Synod of which this Body is composed should accept its pro rata of all the various operations of the General Council.

7. *Resolved,* That all Boards and Committees of the General Council be required to submit not later than July 1st of the year of the Convention, their requests for apportionments, the same to be prepared in detail.

Respectfully submitted,

WM H. HAGER, *Chairman Finance and Budget Committee.*

GENERAL COUNCIL APPORTIONMENTS

For Each Year of Biennium

1913-15

Synods or Ministeriums	Foreign Missions.	English Home Missions.	German Home Missions.	Porto Rico Missions.	Slav Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Kropp Commission.	University Work.	G. C. Treasury.
1. Min. of Penn'a....	$28,000	$40,000	$11,000	$ 4,836	$ 7,900	$3,000	$2,500	$1,000	$1,120
2. Min. of New York.	6,900	1,000	5,000	1,668	1,675	500	2,000	400	400
3. Pittsburgh Synod..	6,500	5,600	1,500	2,000	2,500	1,500	350	600	208
4. Dist. Synod of Ohio	2,900	6,000	100	1,334	750	400	125	400	400
5. Augustana Synod .	24,500	.....	.....	5,000	1,000	600	.....	1,000	1,040
6. Canada Synod	2,900	.....	1,500	.....	250	50	800	.....	64
7. Chicago Synod	1,600	3,600	75	1,000	350	150	50	400	160
8. Eng. Syn. of N. W.	2,800	3,000	75	834	350	150	50	500	160
9. Manitoba Synod ..	400	.....	500	.....	40	25	125	25	32
10. Pacific Synod	1,200	700	75	82	60	25	.....	25	32
11. Syn.of N.Y. & N.E.	8,500	7,250	175	1,168	1,675	500	100	600	368
12. Nova Scotia Synod.	500	1,250	.....	42	50	50	50	25	16
13. Central Canada Syn.	300	800	.....	36	100	50	50	25	.....
Other	3,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total for each year..	$90,000	$69,200	$20,000	$18,000	$16,700	$7,000	$6,200	$5,000	$4,000

In the Sixth Session it was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Haas,

Resolved, That the apportionments be recommitted, to permit of Conference with the Presidents of Synods and the chairmen of Boards.

At the seventh session the Finance and Budget Committee presented the following supplementary report:

The Conference of our Committee with the Presidents of Synods and chairmen of Boards has resulted in unanimous agreement to allow the various apportionments to stand as originally made, with the understanding that the Presidents of Synods will be given the opportunity to consult before the biennium apportionment of 1915 is decided upon.

WM. H. HAGER,
Chairman Finance and Budget Committee.

The Finance and Budget Committee's Report, with the recommendations and the apportionments, as amended and given above, was adopted.

The President appointed Mr. George Hemsing as President.

Mr. George Hemsing offered the following:

WHEREAS, The compilation of the Minutes of "the General Council" and the "Documents" issued previous to its Convention, as well as the numerous other duties which devolve upon the English Recording Secretary of the General Council, require a great amount of time and labor, be it

Resolved, That the sum of $200.00 be paid each biennium out of the Treasury of the General Council to the English Recording Secretary as a salary for the office, in addition to any other expenses incurred for clerical help employed.

The motion was referred to the Finance and Budget Committee with power to act.

On motion of the Rev. J. F. Lambert, it was

Resolved, That all Boards of the General Council be required to render itemized statements of expenditures made by them in connection with the reports and recommendations which they offer to the General Council.

At 11 a. m. discussion of the Budget was intermitted to permit the elections for Foreign Mission, Porto Rico and German Home Mission Boards. (See the Second and Fourth Sessions.)

Rev. Dr. Brandelle presented the

REPORT OF THE SWEDISH BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

(*The Augustana Synod's Home Missions.*)

The Swedish Home Mission work of the General Council is carried on by the Augustana Synod. The Synod's Home Mission Board has in its employ on the home mission fields at present fourteen pastors and three students. These are laboring on the mission fields in Utah, Idaho, Montana, Alabama, Wyoming, Florida, Tennessee, District of Columbia, and Alaska. Rev. Erik Floreen has charge of the work in Utah with headquarters at Salt Lake City. Theological Student Luther Cornay has had charge of the work in Boise and Payette, Idaho, since last fall. Rev. J. E. Barrington had charge of the work in Burley and Twin Falls, Idaho, until last April, when he moved to Kansas. Rev. J. W. Nyvall is laboring in Idaho Falls and Shelley, Idaho. Blackfoot, Firth, and Moore, Idaho, constitutes the field of Rev. Luther Stromquist. Rev. Waldo Ekeberg is doing missionary work in Missoula, Mont., and neighboring places. Rev. P. A. Fair continues his work in Helena, and E. Helena, Mont., with untiring zeal. Rev. C. A. Eckstrom is stationed at Great Falls, Mont. Student O. T. Floodberg makes regular missionary visits to Billings, Barber, Red Lodge, Roundup, and Laurel, Mont., and Sheridan, Cody, and Powell, Wyo. Theol. Student Andrew G. Anderson is employed as traveling missionary in Montana during this summer. Rev. J. H. Warmanen, who for five years has conducted Swedish and Finnish missionary work in Alaska, with headquarters at Douglas, has resigned from his charge and will leave Alaska the first of October. Rev. J. J. Richard has been succeeded on fields in Alabama by Rev. A. A. Swanlund, who has his headquarters at Thorsby. Rev. E. J. Werner is stationed at Pierson, Fla., Rev. J. P.

Leaf at Tennessee Ridge, Tenn., and Rev. A. J. Enstam at Washington, D. C. Rev. F. O. Hanson has since last fall been employed as English Field Secretary of the Synod.

The sum expended by the Synod on its home mission field for the biennium amounts to $34,537.61. The Conferences of the Synod are also carrying on an extensive mission work within their borders. The sums expended by the Conferences during the biennium are as follows: New York Conference $13,235.79; New England Conference, $3,333.83 (this Conference was organized in 1912 from a part of the New York Conference); Illinois Conference, $17,114.36; Superior Conference, $5,528.99; Minnesota Conference, $47,490.04 (the Red River Valley Conference and the Canada Conference have recently been organized within the former borders of the Minneapolis Conference); Iowa Conference, $10,016.14; Kansas Conference, $10,609.91; Nebraska Conference, $7,902.63; Columbia Conference, $19,489.18 (part of this sum has been contributed by the Synod as a whole); California Conference, $3,265.55 (part contributed by Synod). Total amount expended by Synod and its Conference for last two years for home missions amounts to $172,524.03. The Synod also supports Immigrant Missions in New York and Boston, where missionaries are stationed.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Larson, *Secretary*.

The report was adopted as a whole. The following were elected as the

SWEDISH HOME MISSION BOARD

Rev. Lawrence A. Johnston, D.D.	Rev. J. E. Rydback.
Rev. Gustave A. Brandelle, D.D.	Mr. Christian A. Larson.
Rev. Prof. C. A. Blomgren, Ph.D.	Prof. Claude W. Foss, Ph.D.
Rev. N. J. Forsberg.	Mr. Andrew Peterson.
Rev. Per. J. Brodine, D.D.	Mr. O. P. Olson.

The English Home Mission Board was elected. (See the Fourth Session.)

On motion of the Rev. G. Drach it was

Resolved, That a special committee of three clergymen and two laymen, with the English Recording Secretary as chairman, be appointed to arrange for a more expeditious and satisfactory manner for electing our officers and members of the Boards, to report at next Convention.

Committee.—Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D., Rev. H. A. Weller, Rev. E. F. Bachmann, Mr. H. M. M. Richards, Mr. F. C. Hassold.

On motion of the Rev. G. Drach, it was

Resolved, That the rule of the General Council adopted at the last Convention, that no recommendations of Boards or Committees shall be

printed in the documents presented in advance of the Convention, be changed so as to permit the printing of recommendations in connection with the reports, and the presentation on the floor of the Convention of any changes, omission or additional recommendations.

Pending the discussion of the Budget, the Council adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Henry Warren Roth, D.D., of Greenville, Pa.

SIXTH SESSION

St. Matthew's Church.
Saturday, September 13, 2 p. m.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. William C. Drach, of Buffalo, N. Y.

The Rev. Dr. G. A. Brandelle occupied the chair during the first half of the session.

The Minutes of the Fifth Session were read and approved.

The consideration of the Finance and Budget Committee's Report was resumed. (See Fifth Session.)

MINUTES OF THE LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Laymen's Conference was held Friday afternoon, Sept. 12th, at Martin Luther Church, Toledo, Ohio. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 P. M., Mr. James Gear, of New York, in the chair, and Mr. Frederick Henrich, of Buffalo, acting as secretary.

G. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., of Philadelphia, presented the topic, "There Should be an Efficient Executive Committee of the General Council with Power to Transact Business ad Interim."

Mr. William H. Hager, of Lancaster, Pa., presented the topic, "The Report of the Finance and Budget Committee with Special Reference to Apportionment and the Necessity of Considering the Same as a Business Obligation."

The next paper, "The General Council Should be Our National Body in Fact as Well as in Name," prepared by E. Augustus Miller, Esq., of Philadelphia, was, in his absence, read by Mr. William M. Mearig, of New Holland, Pa.

The topics presented were discussed, and a set of suggestions adopted for presentation to the General Council. (See Minutes of the Sixth Session.)

Frederick Henrich, *Secretary.*

Mr. James Gear, Chairman, offered the following

REPORT OF THE LAYMEN'S MEETING

As a result of a meeting of the Laymen we respectfully submit the following for the consideration of the General Council:

1. That it would deem advisable that arrangements be made for the introduction of each delegate to the General Council, both Clerical and Lay; somewhat in the following manner, viz., that, immediately preceding the gathering of the delegates for the Confessional service, each delegate, as he enters the room, shall be introduced by name to all the delegates assembled, or in such other manner as the President may determine.

2. That the Secretary of the General Council be instructed to prepare separate ballots for each of the regular elections that the Council will be called upon to hold.

3. That a map be prepared which will clearly show the territory occupied by the respective bodies composing the General Council; which map shall contain such facts as might properly be placed thereon. Said map to be on very large scale and hung in a conspicuous place where the Council shall be assembled.

4. That hereafter the "Documents" printed for the use of the meeting of the General Council shall contain the resolutions that may be prepared by any Board or Commission thereof, and as a part of such document and in connection with the same.

5. That the printing of said resolution, however, is for information of the Council and in no sense to preclude such Board or Commission from introducing any additional resolutions or amending those already referred to; nor be it deemed in any sense to restrict the right of any delegate to present any other resolution or resolutions upon the floor of the Council.

6. That a committee of nine be appointed to consider plans for a layman's organization, which should work in conjunction with and under the direction of the General Council at its meetings, and report to General Council.

7. We respectfully suggest the advisability of a larger representation of laymen on the various Boards and Committees of the General Council.

8. We respectfully suggest that a committee of nine be appointed by the President (of which he shall be one) to take into consideration the whole matter of our present organization, and wherein improvements may be made, and to report their suggestions and findings to the next regular Convention of the General Council.

Under item six, to consider plans for a Laymen's Organization, the President appointed the following:

Committee: G. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., Prof. A. Kempe, Mr. James Gear, Mr. John W. Greene, Mr. W. M. Mearig, Mr. Frederick Wendling, Mr. Grant Hultberg, Mr. M. L. Deck, Mr. George Hemsing.

After eliminating several suggestions, the report was adopted in the form given

Under item eight, the President appointed the following:

Committee on Improvements in the Organization of the General Council. —President of the General Council, E. Augustus Miller, Esq., Mr. Wm. H. Hager, Rev. G. A. Brandelle, D.D., Rev. G. C. Berkemeier, D.D., Rev. H. E. Jacobs, D.D., LL.D., Rev. G. F. Gehr, Rev. E. F. Keever, D.D., Rev. G. W. Mechling, D.D., Rev. W. D. C. Keiter, D.D., Mr. A. G. Anderson, Prof. C. W. Foss, G. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., Mr. E. Clarence Miller, Mr. C. B. Opp.

INVITATIONS FOR THE NEXT CONVENTION

Invitations for the holding of the 1915 Convention were received as follows: From the Pacific Synod through Mr. W. S. T. Derr, of Vancouver, Wash., seconded by President M. E. Boulton, of the Pacific Synod, and the Rev. Prof. P. W. H. Frederick, of the Pacific Theological Seminary, an invitation to meet at Portland, as follows:

INVITATION FROM PACIFIC SYNOD FOR NEXT MEETING OF GENERAL COUNCIL

The Pacific Synod at its 13th Annual Convention, held June, 1913, authorized its delegates to the General Council at Toledo, to invite the General Council to hold its next Convention upon its territory in 1915.

We, the delegates of the Pacific Synod, on behalf of the Pacific Synod and the General Council Churches of Portland, Oregon, extend to this Convention of the General Council an invitation to hold its next Convention, in 1915, at Portland, Oregon.

From the officers of St. Matthew's German Lutheran Congregation an invitation to meet in St. Matthew's Church, Berlin, Ont., Canada.

From the Augustana delegation, through Dr. Brandelle, Vice-President of the Augustana Synod, and Dr. Abrahamson, an invitation to meet at Rock Island, Ill.

On motion of Dr. Brandelle, it was

Resolved, That the President, the Recording Secretaries, and the Treasurer of the General Council be authorized to select the place of the next meeting.

In the Eighth Session the Rev. Dr. J. C. Kunzmann offered the following which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Pacific Synod has sent an overture to the General Council to hold its next Convention on the Pacific Coast, and our Swedish and English congregations of the city of Portland have extended to us their hospitality, in response to which we have been able to do no more for the present than express our sincere appreciation, and

WHEREAS, We are not unmindful of the vast possibilities and great importance to our Church of that portion of our land, of the fidelity of our Brethren of the Pacific Synod and of the Columbia Conference of the Augustana Synod, of the encouragement which a Convention of the General Council would furnish, and of our obligations to them for the sacrifices they have made for the mother Church of the Reformation. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we appoint a Committee of Ways and Means to report of plan by which it may be made possible for the General Council to meet among these brethren in 1919.

Committee on Meeting on Pacific Coast.—Rev. J. A. W. Haas, D.D., Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D.D., Rev. George Drach, Rev. G. C. Berkemeier, D.D., Mr. F. D. Bittner, Mr. Grant Hultberg, Hon. C. A. Smith, Mr. R. E. Gaskell, Mr. Frederick Henrich.

In the Seventh Session the Rev. W. M. Horn presented the following action of the New York City delegation:

Resolved, That the New York delegation cordially invite the General Council to hold its meeting in 1917 at New York City, with a view to simultaneous meetings of all Lutheran General Bodies there, and a final united and general public meeting.

On motion it was

Resolved, That all invitations for the holding of 1917 Convention be referred to the Committee on Quadri-centennial.

Adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Herman F. Miller, of Pittsford, New York.

SEVENTH SESSION

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH.

Monday, September 15, 9 a. m.

The Devotional Service was conducted by the Rev. William M. Horn, of the Church of the Advent, New York City.

The Minutes of the Sixth Session were read and approved.

The President announced the receipt of a gavel presented by the Rev. George L. Rankin.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. H. W. Roth, it was

Resolved, That the General Council accept with thanks the Oak Knot gavel from the Western Pennsylvania farm of Mr. Frank Stamm, with the Lignum Vitae handle from Gautemala via Lunenburg, N. S., presented by the Rev. George L. Rankin, Homestead, Pa., and that the President freely use the same, as contingencies among certain "hard-pated" Lutherans may seem to require.

The President appointed the following committees:

1. *To Nominate Members of Boards, Slav and Other.*—The Revs. Dr. G. A. Benze, F. A. Bosch, Prof. P. W. H. Frederick, A. Appell, Prof. C. F. Carlbert, and Messrs. F. J. Walter and W. S. T. Derr.

2. *On Unfinished Business.*—The Revs. R. D. Roeder, W. L. Hunton, Ph.D., C. O. Morland, C. N. Clemens, and Mr. Herman Hess.

The Rev. J. W. Horine presented the

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education held three meetings at Pittsburgh, Pa., November 21, 1911; Buffalo, N. Y., January 7, 1913; Asbury Park, N. J., July 8, 1913.

The officers are:

President, Rev. John W. Horine.
Vice-President, Rev. Dr. F. A. Kaehler.
Recording Secretary, Rev. H. D. Spaeth.
Corresponding Secretary, Rev. J. W. Horine.
Treasurer, Rev. W. A. Beates.

Prior to the last meeting of the Board, Dr. G. J. Gongaware resigned the chairmanship, having removed from the bounds of the General Council. Dr. J. A. W. Haas was elected president pro tempore.

The General Council having failed to provide the funds necessary for the prosecution of its work, the Board petitions the General Council to lay on the Synods an apportionment of $1,000.00 for the coming biennium.

Since the last convention of the General Council the Board has prepared and published a Bulletin of seventy pages on the subject of Beneficiary Education. An edition of 2,500 copies has been printed, 2,000 of which have been distributed; the remaining copies are offered for sale at twenty cents each, or at fifteen cents per copy in quantities of twelve or more.

The past and present practice of Beneficiary Education as it has developed in the Synods of the General Council and also in other General Church Bodies is set forth in this Bulletin. It has received very favorable notice both within and without our own Church.

The Board has in preparation a booklet giving information concerning the work of all our Educational Institutions. It was resolved at the last meeting of the Board to endeavor to have this publication ready for distribution at the coming meeting of the General Council. Three thousand copies are to be printed.

A committee of the Board has been endeavoring to secure complete statistics on Ministerial Supply. However its work has been hampered and hindered by the failure of officers of Synods to give prompt and accurate answers to the questions proposed by it.

The question concerning methods of extending pecuniary aid to needy students received careful consideration by the Board. The following recommendations are submitted:

1. That Synods extending aid to needy students shall waive their claim to the return of any money advanced to such students in case said students complete their theological course and spend at least five years in the active ministry of the Lutheran Church.

2. That, in establishing the conditions under which aid is to be granted, Synods should attempt, so far as possible, to adopt either the competitive scholarship plan, or at least to establish and maintain a standard of good scholarship.

3. That, in case special examinations are held for admission to beneficiary aid, such examinations shall aim at the discovery of the general intellectual equipment of the candidates, rather than their specific knowledge of particular text-books, and that History, Literature, Languages, and General Science shall be included in the subjects for examination.

4. That the conditions should be so established that, in extraordinary cases, aid may be granted without the formality of special examinations, but Boards or Committees of Education should satisfy themselves that all students aided are growing in intellectual attainment. Failure to make reasonable use of educational opportunities should be considered as sufficient reason for the immediate withdrawal of support.

5. The amount granted under the competitive or good scholarship plan should be sufficient to cover the full expense of tuition and board.

6. The Christian character of the applicants or beneficiaries must, as a matter of course, be above question.

In regard to the State's setting apart one-half of a school-day each week for the religious training of the young by the respective religious and church bodies, and the instruction given to the Board by the General Council, (Minutes, 1911, p. 24, 2b and 2c), namely: "To invite co-operation with other religious and educational bodies looking to the attainment of this end,"—the Board directed its representative, Dr. J. A. W. Haas, to bring this matter to the attention of the Council of Church Boards of Education at its next meeting. In compliance with these instructions Dr. Haas presented to this Council a paper entitled "Week-day Religious Instruction and the Public Schools," which was published in the Council's second annual report. A limited number of copies of this report are now

in the hands of the Secretary of the General Council for free distribution. Dr. Haas reported to the Board the following items which were adopted:

1. After consultation with the other Church Boards it was found that they are not yet prepared to cooperate in this plan.

2. The plan, however, seemed to commend itself to the Hon. P. P. Claxton, Commissioner of the U. S. Bureau of Education, who was present at the meeting, and who favored our suggestion that it be given a trial in a small community where the conditions are favorable.

3. The attention of the General Council should be called to the absolute necessity of the religious instruction of the youth of our land for the making of good citizens, and to the necessity of persevering effort to obtain the same.

In regard to the definition of the requirements to be made by the General Council of educational institutions applying for recognition (Minutes, 1911, pp. 226 and 247) the Board makes the following recommendations:

A. THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES

1. That in the provision for teaching in such institutions the Fundamental Principles of Faith and Church Polity of the General Council be rigidly enforced (G. C. Minutes, 1911, p. 225).

2. That candidates for admission to such institutions shall do preparatory work equivalent to at least two years of the standard college course; this should be the minimum, but the General Council should be asked to reiterate the action of 1911 (Report of Board of Education, Part 3, Sec. 5. G. C. Minutes, p. 224), to wit: "We advise Theological Seminaries to admit none but fully graduated college men, except in rare cases."

3. That candidates for graduation from such institutions shall complete at least 45 units of Seminary work, a unit in this case being interpreted to mean one hour per week for a year of not less than 24 weeks, and this work shall be done in residence.

4. The curriculum of such an institution must provide for instruction in all of the four standard departments of theology, and in the minimum of 45 units not more than 10 shall be in Practical Theology.

5. The faculty of such an institution shall consist of not less than three members of whom at least one shall give all his time to the work of the Seminary.

6. The General Council should reserve the right to withdraw recognition from any Seminary which does not comply with the minimum standard hereby established.

B. COLLEGES

1. The General Council recognizes the right of District Synods to establish and maintain colleges when and where their judgment may dictate, but calls attention to the action of 1911 (Report of Board of Education, Part 3, Secs. 3 and 4, G. C. Minutes, pp. 220, ff.), regarding the standard of such colleges.

2. In the case of Synods in whose territory affiliation with the universities can be effected such a plan be advised, provided there be at least one professor of the Lutheran faith, supported by a Synod or Synods, who shall supervise the religious developments of the students.

We call attention to the suggestion made to the Presidents of Synods to bring before their respective bodies the need of the creation of committees which shall be centers of educational information—such information being necessary for the individual Synods as well as for the larger work of the General Council.

In pursuance of a recommendation made by the Committee on Practical Functions of the General Council, adopted at the last meeting (Minutes 1911, p. 225 3b) we recommend:

That our Educational Institutions make the attempt to establish a basis of comity, and that to make this effective a meeting of their representatives be held.

The following communication was received by the Board from a committee of the Pittsburgh Synod:

"In order to avoid duplication of the effort and expense to create literature suited to the needs of this committee and furthermore to promote the worthy purpose of providing literature that will be of permanent value for inducing our young people to devote themselves to the ministry of the Word or the ministry of mercy or to unofficial callings in the Church, Synod's delegation for the next Convention of the General Council (is) instructed to request the Council's Board of Education to issue literature that will meet the several objects for which this committee (on Church Workers) has been appointed."

The Board took the following action: Resolved, That we request the General Council to empower this Board to cooperate with Synodical Committees to prepare literature on Ministerial Supply; and also to empower this Board to investigate the problem of the training of lay workers for the work of the Church.

The terms of the following members expire at this Convention: Rev. F. Jacobson, Ph.D., Rev. W. A. Beates, Rev. H. Douglas Spaeth, Rev. Chas. M. Jacobs, D.D., Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher, Ph.D., Rev. John W. Horine.

H. Douglas Spaeth,
J. W. Horine, *Secretaries.*

Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education for the Biennium, 1911-1913

Receipts

1911			
Dec.	7	Received from former Treasurer	$ 96 34
1912			
April	5	Interest on Deposits	1 44
May	7	From Rev. Dr. Geo. J. Gongaware	107 00
Aug.	1	Interest on Deposits	2 39
Dec.	12	Interest on Deposits	1 42
			$208 59

1912		*Expenditures*		
April	5	Berger Bros., Stationery and Printing	$ 10 75	
June	19	Dr. Jos. W. Cochran, Sec. and Treas., General Board of Education	2 59	
Dec.	12	Dr. J. A. W. Haas, Expenses to Executive Committee Meeting	2 00	
"	"	Dr. G. J. Gongaware, Expenses to Executive Committee Meeting	15 60	
				$ 30 94
		Balance		$177 65

1913		*Receipts*		
Jan.	7	Balance brought forward	$177 65	
"	"	From Dr. J. A. W. Haas	100 00	
"	13	From Treas. N. Y. & N. E. Synod	20 09	
Feb.	1	Interest on Deposits	2 41	
"	8	Church of the Reformation, Brooklyn, per Treas. of N. Y. & N. E. Synod	16 60	
Mar.	22	Interest on Deposits	88	
May	5	From Treas. of N. Y. & N. E. Synod	1 92	
June	13	From Treas. of N. Y. & N. E. Synod.....	2 00	
Aug.	1	Interest on Deposits	3 19	
				$324 74

1913		*Expenditures*			
Jan.	20	Dr. F. Jacobson, Traveling Expenses		$ 13 25	
"	"	Rev. A. Weyl, Traveling Expenses		9 55	
"	"	Rev. J. W. Horine, Traveling Expenses	$ 9 26		
"	"	Rev. J. W. Horine, Postage	3 00		
				12 26	
"	"	Rev. H. D. Spaeth, Trav. Ex. Jan. 7..	$ 9 18		
"	"	Rev. H. D. Spaeth, Postage, etc.....	3 25		
				12 43	
"	"	Dr. J. A. W. Haas, Trav. Expenses, Jan. 7...		20 00	
"	"	Rev. W. A. Beates, Trav. Ex. Jan. 7..	$ 18 50		
		Account Book, etc.	50		
				19 00	
"	"	Dr. Gustav Andreen, Trav. Ex.		21 73	
Mar.	24	Dr. J. A. W. Haas, Trav. Ex. to meeting of Church Boards of Education, Cleveland		27 65	
May	27	Rev. John W. Horine for contingent expenses of Council of Church Boards of Education ..		5 00	
Aug.	1	Dr. C. E. Linberg, Trav. Ex. July 8		58 75	
"	"	Rev. J. W. Horine, Trav. Ex. July 8..	$ 2 20		
"	"	Rev. J. W. Horine, Postage	3 30		
				5 50	

Aug.	1	Dr. C. T. Benze, Trav. Ex., July 8	$13 70	
"	"	Dr. E. F. Keever, Trav. Ex., July 8	10 40	
"	"	Dr. E. P. Pfatteicher, Trav. Ex., July 8	2 10	
"	"	Rev. J. A. Weyl, Trav. Ex., July 8	1 30	
"	"	Rev. H. D. Spaeth, Trav. Ex., July 8	10 08	
"	"	Rev. W. A. Beates, Trav. Ex. and postage, July 8	31 61	
"	"	Dr. J. A. W. Haas, Trav. Ex., July 8, printing, etc.	5 00	
				$279 31
		Cash on hand		$ 45 43

W. A. Beates, *Treasurer.*

The Auditing Committee reported that they had examined the Treasurer's report, and found it correct.

C. E. Lindberg,
C. T. Benze,
E. F. Keever,
Committee.

The report was adopted, and the Board elected later in the session.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Term ends 1917

Rev. Fritz Jacobson, Ph.D.
Rev. Wm. A. Beates.
Rev. H. Douglas Spaeth.
Rev. Prof. Charles M. Jacobs, D.D.
Rev. Ernest P. Pfatteicher, Ph.D.
Rev. John W. Horine.
Rev. Prof. George H. Gerberding, D.D.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Haas, it was

Resolved, That we recommend to the heads of our educational institutions to hold a conference to consult on comity between institutions of the General Council.

Report of Finance and Budget Committee concluded. (See Fifth Session.)

The Rev. Dr. Rehrig presented the

REPORT OF THE SLAV MISSION BOARD

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

Fathers and Brethren:—When the Church enters upon new missionary activity there arise, necessarily, new problems in the method of operation which must be adjusted. This is the condition prevailing in

the missionary operation of the Slav Mission Board at the present time. The vast extent of territory, the diverse character of the nationalities to be served, and the peculiar needs of the field, are factors that complicate our operations. Nevertheless, in submitting this report of the past biennium, we are conscious of the fact that progress has attended our efforts.

The Slav Mission Board held eight regular quarterly meetings during the biennium. Every effort possible was made for the extension of the field and the ingathering of the unchurched immigrants.

The Field Secretary, Rev J. O. Schlenker, has devoted his entire time in presenting this cause to the Church at various Conventions and to congregations to awaken an interest and to solicit funds to provide for the increasing expenses. Without this agency the operations of the Board would have been seriously retarded.

Rev. Karol Salva, a member of the Board, was suddenly summoned from his earthly labors on January 21, 1913. Rev. Salva was himself a Slovak; his intimate knowledge of the people and his wise counsel in the deliberations of the Board were of the highest importance. The Slav Mission Board sadly deplores his untimely removal. The vacancy has been filled by the appointment of Rev. A. D. Dianiska who is pastor of the Slovak congregation at Mahanoy City, Pa., and was ordained in 1905 by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania.

THE SUPERINTENDENT

In prosecuting our mission work cognizance must be taken of the fact that only a comparatively small number of the congregations are fortunate to have their own pastor. The greater number of preaching places are supplied by the itinerary of the Superintendent, assisted by the available students during their vacation periods. It is a very difficult task to keep in touch with the people on an itinerary that practically covers the entire United States and extends north into Canada. Owing to the long and irregular intervals at which services are held, in many cases only once a year or even less frequently, a very extensive correspondence must be carried on to announce the time of holding service. Knowing that many of our people are not permanently settled, a personal visitation from house to house by the Superintendent is the only certain mode of announcing the services.

In addition to the itinerary preaching services for the Slovak congregations, efforts are constantly put forth to canvass new territories where Lutheran immigrants may be living. The congregations of the other nationalities have been visited and assisted in various ways. A great deal of time has been devoted to classroom instruction of our students at the Allentown Preparatory School.

THE EXTENSION OF THE FIELD

During the biennium the Superintendent made extensive canvass of the extreme western portion of the United States and through Canada. Slovak

services were conducted in Colorado Springs, and Calhan, Colo., in Belt Stockett and Sand Coulee, Mont.; in Cle Elum, Everett, Tacoma, Wash.; Portland, Ore.; San Francisco, Cal.; Superior, Phillips and Medford, Wis. The following cities were canvassed but no services so far were conducted: Los Angeles, Cal.; Bellingham, Wash.; Butte and Helena, Mont.; Omaha, Neb.; Dallas, Houston, Galveston, Texas; Oklahoma, Okla.; Memphis, Tenn.; Louisville, Ky.

In Canada Slovak services were conducted in Fernie, B. C., Canmore, Alta, Winnipeg, Man., and a Magyar service in Sherks, Ont. We canvassed Vancouver, B. C., Calgary and Edmonton, Alta. Rev. W. O. Zahlis conducted Lettish services in Winnipeg and Libau, Man., and visited the people in Sifton, Man.

In addition to this new territory just entered we also conducted services in a number of new places in states formerly occupied.

We found the people profoundly thankful everywhere for the interest manifested in them by the Church, both for the ministration of the Gospel through the present itinerary, and also for the hopeful outlook of a permanent ministry after the students complete their education.

THE FIELD

(*a*) *Slovak*

By far the larger mission interests are among the Slovak nationality. This is due to two factors. In the first place there are more Lutherans among Slovak people than among other nationalities. In the second place the Slovaks are solicitous for and seek the ministrations of the Church. There are a number of strong flourishing Slovak Lutheran congregations throughout the country. In places where the number of members is small, it is necessary to assist the people. Owing to the lack of ministers, with the infrequent services, there has developed a feeling of satisfaction with one communion service a year. This is prejudicial to the proper development of the Christian faith and the training of the children in the Word of God. Out of the forty-three foreign services conducted in 1912, thirty-seven were conducted for Slovak congregations by the Superintendent.

In June 1912 Paul A. Putra, after a course of training covering a period of eight years, was ordained as a Slovak minister. He took charge of the Slovak parish with Philadelphia as the centre. On the last Sunday in 1912 the congregation in Philadelphia held their first service in a church building which they purchased for $7,500. This is a great undertaking for a small congregation. The Slovak congregation at Trenton, N. J., have a lot and are anxious to erect a church, but insufficient funds has made the project hitherto impossible. In both of these cases a small assistance from a Church Extension fund would be a blessing.

Student Andrew Hibian is now engaged to read a Slovak service in Nanticoke, Pa., every second Sunday. Student Samuel Placko conducts services during vacations in Indiana Harbor, Ind. Student Matthew

Benko spends his vacation in Detroit, Mich. Student Martin Slabey has an itinerary in central Pennsylvania. The hope awakened among the scattered people that a corps of ministers is in preparation for service has had a salutary effect in holding them loyal to their church.

Rev. A. D. Dianiska has given valuable assistance in administering the holy communion to the congregations at Snow Shoe, Grassflat, and Houtzdale in Central Pennsylvania.

Notable improvements have been made by some of the self-sustaining Slovak congregations. The congregation in Mahanoy City, Rev. A. D. Dianiska, pastor, purchased a cemetery plot and erected a chapel on it. The church building was renovated, a new pulpit and baptismal font procured. The parsonage was enlarged by the addition of three rooms and a steam heating system installed. All these improvements represent an expenditure of $2,000, which are paid in full.

The congregation of Peter and Paul in Chicago, Rev. Samuel Schultz, pastor, purchased a parsonage at a cost of $4,000.00 and procured a pipe organ that cost $2,000.00.

The congregation at Northampton, Pa., Rev. Julius Csernecky, pastor, purchased a bell, repainted their church, costing about $700.00 and paid on their debt $400.00.

In Freeland the congregation served by Rev. Ludwig Havel raised the church building and put in a basement floor.

(*b*) *Magyar*

It is to be regretted that the progress in our mission work for the Magyar nationality has been greatly retarded due to lack of ministers. The result of this is that many of our Lutheran Magyar members have united with Magyar Reformed churches, of which there is a large number. In spite of this delay there is still a promising field if ministers could be secured. One of the first considerations should be a Magyar minister who could devote his time to itinerary work. Negotiations are now in progress to secure a Magyar minister for such a position.

In 1910 Rev. James Becker was placed in the city of Detroit, Mich. There was then no organization there. At the present time there is a congregation with 140 members. They have just completed their new church edifice that cost $8,000 including the lot. There is an indebtedness of $4,300 on the property. Rev. Becker has resigned and intends to return to Hungary. The congregation had extended a call to Rev. Alexander Ebenspanger of Hungary but he declined to accept it.

The Magyar congregation in Cleveland, Rev. Stephen Ruzsa, pastor, is about to erect an inner mission house on their church lot that will cost about $10,000. The object of this house is to provide room for a day nursery for the many little children whose mothers work in the factories, to be a shelter for unmarried women who are temporarily without a home, and to provide a home for orphans and dependent widows. All inmates will have to be of foreign parentage. In this section of Cleveland the

population is almost entirely foreign. Rev. Ruzsa has been indefatigable in his efforts to secure the needed funds and has so far raised about $7,000 towards the cost of erection.

The Magyar congregation in New Brunswick, N. J., Rev. Ernst A. Stiegler, pastor, has under consideration the erection of a more commodious church building. Rev. Stiegler has begun services in New York, but until a resident pastor can be placed in that city, no progress can be made.

The Magyar Mission in Elgin, Ill., had to be abandoned. Rev. John Body whom the Board called from Hungary remained only two months in charge of the mission. Student B. Schleifer supplied the mission for a while. He was ordained by the Chicago Synod in June, 1912. In October of the same year he too left and it has been impractical to secure a minister since.

The Lutheran congregations in Buffalo, N. Y., have pledged an annual support of $400.00 towards the support of a Magyar missionary for that city. The Board after many delays found a probable candidate in the person of Joseph Korntheuer of Hungary. He has completed his theological course but is not yet ordained. The Board requested him to attend the Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy the coming year, and after his ordination he shall be stationed in Buffalo.

(*c*) *Siebenbuerger*

This field is principally located in Ohio with Youngstown as a centre. The missionary in charge, Rev. George Schuster, has succeeded in organizing congregations in Youngstown, Salem, O. In addition to these congregations he supplies eight preaching stations. There are peculiar difficulties in connection with this mission field. One is the lack of interest for the Church. Many of the Siebenbuergers have been estranged from the Church and it will require patient effort to win them back. Rev. Schuster has been helpful in places where no congregations have yet been organized to induce these people to attend divine worship in local congregations.

Rev. A. P. Lentz, of Ellwood City, Pa., is serving a Siebenbuerger congregation in connection with his parish. This is the only Siebenbuerger congregation in America that owns its house of worship. Efforts in Youngstown, O., towards procuring a church building have so far failed.

(*d*) *Slovenians*

The Slovenian congregation in South Bethlehem, Rev. W. A. Lambert, pastor, has become self-sustaining, January 1912. This congregation owns a church property that is valued at $9,000.00, with a debt of $1,200. It has about five hundred paying members. This congregation is a standing monument of the value the Slav Mission work has been to the immigrant people. Rev. Lambert conducts service in Perth Amboy, N. J., where only a small colony reside.

Recently the Superintendent canvassed Harrisburg and Steelton, Pa., and found a small colony of Slovenians and conducted services for them. We have knowledge of Slovenians living in other sections, but for lack of time and ministers this mission field has not yet been developed.

(*e*) *Letts*

In May, 1912, a large dwelling house was purchased by the Lettish congregation in Boston, Mass. The cost of the property was $7,500, alterations were made costing $300.00. During the year $1,500 were paid on the debt. Rev. John Steik, the pastor, had a long struggle to keep his little flock together until a church home was secured. Rev. Steik conducts service once a month in New York, and occasionally in Philadelphia a communion service. The congregation in Philadelphia is regularly supplied by student Peter E. Steik of the seminary.

A Lettish colony has for years been living in Winnipeg, Man., but for lack of a minister who could speak their language nothing could be done for their spiritual needs. The Superintendent became acquainted with Rev. W. O. Zahlis, of Walsh, Ill., who is of Lettish parentage and able to minister to them. In July he, in connection with the Superintendent, visited Winnipeg, Libau and Sifton, Man. The field is widely scattered and the people have been long without services. There is an urgent need of a missionary for this territory. It is the intention of the Board to call Rev. Zahlis for this field.

We are informed of Lettish Lutherans living in Vancouver, B. C., and at Matheson, New Ontario.

Lettish missionaries should be located in Chicago, Cleveland and New York.

ITALIAN MISSION

At the last convention of the General Council, it was resolved to refer the Italian Mission work in Philadelphia to this Board. It appears that other provision has been made by those interested in that work, and no request for aid has come to our Board. We believe that Italian Mission work should be undertaken.

STUDENTS

The task of preparing candidates for the ministry among foreign-speaking congregations is attended with many serious difficulties. In almost all cases the elementary preparation has been deficient. Occasionally students apply who are unable to speak English. Again young men have applied who spoke the foreign language, but having been raised in America, had no knowledge of the grammatical forms of their vernacular. The Board has adopted the plan of hereafter sending all students to the Allentown Preparatory School for their academic training, where they will be under the personal supervision and instruction of the Superintendent. A modified academic course has been outlined and the instruction is to be adapted to the needs of the individual student. Special provision will also be made for theological instruction for those students who are deficient in the English language.

The following students are at present attending school under the auspices of the Board as candidates for the ministry:

Samuel Plăcko, Chicago Seminary. Martin Slabey, Thiel College; Matthew Benko, Thiel College. At the Allentown Preparatory School: Andrew Hibian, John M. Bellan, Paul Faska, John Havir, Edward Sabo All these are able to use the Slovak language. Paul Faska is, however, better acquainted with the Magyar tongue. Fritz Ernst Sermulin at Muhlenberg College, and Peter E. Steik at the Philadelphia Seminary are preparing for the ministry among Lettish people.

The Board has granted support to the following applicants to begin their studies this fall, preparatory to the office of the ministry: Karl Wm. Zelm, Boston, Mass., Lett, at Allentown Preparatory School; Andrew Svaska, Northampton, Pa., Slovak, Allentown Preparatory School; Louis Sanjek, New York, Slovenian, Mt. Airy Theological Seminary.

In answer to the inquiry why purely American students do not take up the study of the foreign languages and prepare for the ministry, it may be said that in all cases the national prejudices are very strong and would make such a procedure of very doubtful consequences.

LITERATURE

Printer's ink is of great value also in reaching our class of people. A Slovak Church paper would be of exceptional value in our missionary operations. As we go among the people we find such publications in their homes, coming from different church bodies. Efforts are now being made to issue such a periodical which may later serve as our publication.

Tracts in foreign languages are very serviceable and eargerly read by our people. The Board has on several occasions imported such tracts in the Slovak language. A friend from the English Lutheran congregation in Du Bois, Pa., donated five dollars for New Testaments in foreign languages. The American Rolling Mill Co., of Middletown, O., donated twenty-five dollars which were appropriated in getting Slovak Agendas and Postilla for our students. Gifts for procuring literature are exceedingly valuable and are as good seed broadcast, that may yield a rich spiritual harvest.

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

There ought to be some provision made to provide a Church Extension Fund that could be available for our foreign speaking congregations. As matters are at present the Church Extension Funds of the General Council are by charter provisions unavailable for these people. Such a fund would be of inestimable value to assist weak congregations to a church home. This issue forces itself more and more to the front as our congregations may be supplied with local ministers.

FINANCES

This Board has labored under the embarrassing situation of rapid expansion. At the beginning of its aggressive operation, a few years ago, there was an insufficient apportionment and the amounts appor-

tioned are not forthcoming. The present indebtedness is a heritage of that period. No one can gainsay the growing need both for ordained ministers and the preparation of students for the ministry. Brethren, we pray you, for Christ's sake, help us in the ingathering into the Church of their fathers, the multitudes of Lutheran immigrants.

THE URGENT CALL FOR SUPPORT

As we look over this vast mission field and consider both its difficulties and its golden opportunities, we feel like crying out "Lord, who is sufficient for these things?" Territorially the field is almost coextensive with the United States and reaching into Canada. We have to deal with a diversified, unestablished, foreign class of people, who live among us, attracted to our shores primarily for material gain. We have all around us an insufficient supply of ministers. The process of educating a ministry is expensive and requires a long time, but is the only course before us. These people of their own resources are unable to secure ministers. The mother church in their homelands has taken no steps whatever to minister to the spiritual necessities of their respective people.

Other denominations are very aggressive in their endeavor to serve these people with the Gospel and gather them into congregations. Many of the immigrants, because of a long period without fellowship in the Church, have become estranged to her voice in this land of their adoption. A glance at the tabulated statement reveals both the vastness of our field and the solemn responsibility to provide for it.

APPORTIONMENT

Realizing the increasing demands upon the liberality of the churches of the General Council, the amount asked for is based upon the actual demands now required without making provision for new expenditures that are bound to arise during the biennium. The apportionment asked for is $16,700 for each year.

Your Board would respectfully ask that the following sums be apportioned to the various Synods for each year of present biennium for the support of Slav Missions:

Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$ 7,900 00
Pittsburgh Synod	2,500 00
Ministerium of New York	1,675 00
New York and New England Synod	1,675 00
Augustana Synod	1,000 00
Canada Synod	250 00
Chicago Synod	350 00
District Synod of Ohio	750 00
Synod of the Northwest	350 00
Synod of Central Canada	100 00
Pacific Synod	60 00
Nova Scotia Synod	50 00
Manitoba Synod	40 00
	$16,700 00

SLOVAK MISSIONS

PLACE.	PASTOR.	Paying Members.	Attendance.	Communed within year.	Value of Property.	Debt.
Northampton, Pa.	Rev. Julius Csernecky	184	196	100	$10000	$ 5000
Philadelphia, Pa., Parish	Rev. Paul A. Putra	....	....	....	.....	.....
Philadelphia	"	48	50	45	7500	7000
Trenton, N. J.	"	37	40	40	.....	.....
Camden, N. J.	"	13	37	14	.....	.....
Pottstown, Pa.	"	....	18	11	.....	.....
Perth Amboy, N. J.	"	....	25	13	.....	.....
Schuylkill Haven, Pa.	"	....	12	10	.....	.....
Peckville, Pa.	Vacant	102	200	180	8000	.....
		384	578	413	$25500	$12000

SIEBENBUERGER MISSIONS

Youngstown, O.	Rev. George Schuster	....	300	49	.....	.....
Salem, O.	"	....	150	69	.....	.....
Cleveland, O.	"	....	86	....	.....	.....
Lorain, O.	"	....	92	....	.....	.....
Alliance, O.	"	....	27	16	.....	.....
Niles, O.	"	....	24	....	.....	.....
New Castle, Pa.	"	....	24	....	.....	.....
Farrel, Pa.	"	....	210	69	.....	.....
Erie, Pa.	"	....	100	....	.....	.....
Monaca, Pa.	"	....	82	....	.....	.....
Martin's Ferry, O.	"	....	92	28	.....	.....
Ellwood City, Pa.	Rev. A. P. Leutz	75	75	60	2000	.....
		75	1262	291	$ 2000	

LETTISH MISSIONS

Boston, Mass.	Rev. John Steik	32	160	85	$ 7500	$ 6000
New York, N. Y.	"	....	25	6	.....	.....
S. Weymouth, Mass.	"	....	28	....	.....	.....
Philadelphia, Pa.	Student Peter E. Steik, Supply	...	70	20	.....	.....
		32	283	111	$ 7500	$ 6000

MAGYAR MISSIONS

Cleveland, O.	Rev. Stephen Ruzsa	153	220	175	$14000	$ 6500
Detroit, Mich.	Rev. James Becker	135	160	100	$ 8000	$ 4300
		288	380	275	$22000	$10800

SELF-SUSTAINING MAGYAR CONGREGATION

New Brunswick, N. J.	Rev. Ernest A. Steigler, Ph.D.	175	145	136	$ 3500	$ 2200

SELF-SUSTAINING SLOVENIAN CONGREGATION

South Bethlehem, Pa.	Rev. W. A. Lambert	500	400	360	$ 9000	$ 1200

SELF-SUSTAINING SLOVAK CONGREGATIONS

PLACE.	PASTOR.	Attendance.	Communed within year.	Value of Property.	Debt.
Mahanoy City, Pa.	Rev. A. D. Dianiska	280	280	$ 15000	.....
Mt. Carmel Pa.	Rev. A. D. Dianiska	350	200	2000	.....
Freeland, Pa.	Rev. Ludwig Havel	138	130	9000	.....
Charleroi, Pa.	Rev. C. V. Mohras	....	....	.....	.....
Chicago, Ill.	Rev. Samuel Lichner	500	400	32000	$12000
Chicago, Ill.	Rev. Samuel Schultz	500	....	43000	11000
		1768	1010	$101000	$33000

SLOVAK CONGREGATIONS SERVED BY THE SUPT. A. L. RAMER

	Present at Service	Communed
Sheppton, Pa.	15	10
Audenried, Pa., (Magyar)	8	4
Houtzdale, Pa.	78	61
Saltsburg, Pa.	32	13
Iselin, Pa.	16	16
Spangler, Pa.	48	34
Steelton, Pa., (Slovenian)	15	15
Erie, Pa.	11	8
New Bethlehem, Pa.	19	14
Lyndora, Pa., (Magyar)	10	6
Nanticoke, Pa.	145	144
New Haven, Conn.	25	22
Perth Amboy, N. J.	16	14
North Tarrytown, N. Y.	20	18
Kingston, N. Y.	23	20
Hudson, N. Y.	14	10
Albany, N. Y.	8	5
Buffalo, N. Y.	13	9
Binghamton, N. Y.	33	29
Piney Fork, O.	48	37
Barton, O.	34	31
Canal Dover, O.	45	13
Toledo, O.	43	36
Marblehead, O.	76	51
Kelley's Island, O.	16	15
Middletown, O.	14	10
Emporia, Va.	54	24
Prince George, Va.	30	22
Freeman, Va.	14	7
Osaka, Va.	19	13
Wheeling, W. Va.	15	13
Gary, W. Va.	32	23
Detroit, Mich.	40	28
Medford, Wis.	20	15
Phillips, Wis.	13	10
Superior, Wis.	9	9
Calham, Colo.	62	
Colorado Springs, Colo.	4	4
Belt, Mont.	52	20
Stockett, Mont.	45	36
Sand Coulee, Mont.	34	26
Cle Elum, Wash.	36	21
Everett, Wash.	3	3
Tacoma, Wash.	40	40
Portland, Ore.	8	7
San Francisco, Cal.	34	22
Fernie, B. C.	3	3
Canmore, Alta.	28	20
Winnipeg, Man.	4	4
Sherks, Ont., (Magyar)	8	
Total	1432	1015

We herewith submit to you the Rules and Regulations of the Slav Mission Board of the General Council for the conduct of the work entrusted to it by the General Council.

Rules and Regulations of the Slav Mission Board of the General Council

Article I. *The Board*

This Board, known as the Slav Mission Board of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, elected by the General Council, is charged with the work among all foreign-speaking Lutherans in this country not provided for by other Boards.

It is the duty of this Board to gather these foreign brethren into congre-

gations and provide them with pastors of their own tongue To this end it shall both secure pastors from the old country and also train men in our own institutions who are able to minister to them in their own language.

The Board shall make a regular report to the General Council of its work and needs, and shall recommend the amount of money needed for its work.

The Board shall meet at such time and place as it may designate.

The officers of the Board shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

These officers shall be elected at the first meeting of the Board after its election by the General Council, which meeting shall be held in the city of Allentown, Pa., and shall hold their office until their successors shall be elected.

The Board may appoint a Superintendent, a Field Secretary, and such other representatives as they may from time to time deem necessary. These representatives of the Board shall work under the rules and regulations which the Board may prescribe. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 1. *The President of the Board.*—The President of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the Board, appoint all committees, not otherwise provided for, call all special meetings or direct the secretary to do so, sign all vouchers issued by the Secretary and attend to all such other duties as usually fall to the office of a President, or as may be assigned to him by the Board.

SEC. 2. *The Vice-President.*—The Vice-President, in the absence of the President, or by his request shall take the place of the President and be empowered with all the duties and functions of the President.

SEC. 3. *The Secretary.*—The Secretary shall have in custody the minutes of the Board and all such official papers of the Board not otherwise provided for, he shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Board, shall call all regular meetings and special meetings as the Board or the President may direct. He shall issue all vouchers for salaries and expenses as the Board directs, and attend to all such business as the Board or its officers may order.

SEC. 4. *The Corresponding Secretary.*—The Corresponding Secretary shall attend to all official correspondence as the Board from time to time orders.

SEC. 5. *The Treasurer.*—The Treasurer shall receive all moneys and keep a correct account of all receipts and expenditures of the Board. He shall pay all vouchers issued by the Board signed by the President and the Secretary.

He shall render a detailed account of all receipts and expenditures at each meeting of the Board, and prepare a full account for submission to the General Council at its regular meetings. He shall have charge of all student notes.

Art. II. *The Duties of the Superintendent*

The Superintendent shall be elected and called by the Board. Should the Board, for any reason, see fit to request the resignation of the Superintendent, it shall give him three months' time to seek another field of labor; and should the Superintendent resign, he shall give the Board three months' time. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to have full charge and oversight of all the missionaries and students of the Board. He shall require all missionaries to make monthly reports to him. He shall approve all their expense accounts. He shall make a report to the Board at every meeting and recommend for action such matters as need attention.

The Superintendent shall visit these scattered foreign-speaking people throughout the country and conduct services for them at such intervals of time as circumstances permit. He shall endeavor to keep in touch with the scattered congregations and minister in Word and Sacrament to them until local missionaries can be placed.

He shall explore new fields and establish new preaching-points wherever and whenever opportunity presents.

He shall supervise and direct our students in their studies.

He shall have all students sign their notes at the end of each scholastic year.

He shall pass upon all bills before the Secretary shall issue vouchers.

He shall serve the Board in whatever capacity the Board may direct.

Art. III. *The Duties of the Field Secretary*

The Field Secretary shall be elected and called by the Board.

It shall be the duty of the Field Secretary to present the work of our Board before Synods, Conferences, Luther Leagues, Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies and congregations as opportunity may be presented, in order to spread information and arouse an interest in our work. He shall collect money in any way he may deem to the best advantage of the Board's interest, subject to the direction of the Board.

He shall serve the Board in any way the Board may direct.

Should the Field Secretary feel constrained at any time to lay down his office, he shall give the Board three months' notice and should the Board request the resignation of the Field Secretary, it shall give him three months' notice that he may find another field of labor.

Art. IV. *Students*

Any one desiring to study for the holy office of the Ministry under this Board, shall make a written application to the Superintendent or President of the Board. Such applicant shall give a brief sketch of his life and intellectual attainments in his own handwriting, together with a recommendation from his pastor. If such an applicant is received by the Board, he shall sign an agreement drawn up by the Board, and shall attend such an institution as the Board may direct. At the end of each year he shall sign a note for the amount of money received. This note

shall require him to repay all money received if he cease to study for the ministry. After he has been ordained, he shall have an annual reduction of $100.00 as long as he remains in the service of the Board. If he serves to the satisfaction of the Board for five (5) years all his indebtedness shall be remitted.

While a student under the Board he must show proper obedience to the authority of the institutions in which he is enrolled, be industrious, and make satisfactory progress, and lead a good moral, Christian life. If he fails in this the Board may dismiss him at any time, and require him to pay back the aid received.

He shall at all times give due heed to the instruction, direction, and advice of the Superintendent.

Anyone who has been educated by this Board shall not, after ordination, accept a call to a charge without the consent of our Board.

Art. V. *Executive Committee*

The Board shall elect an Executive Committee whose duty it shall be to act on all necessary matters during the interim of the Board meetings. It in consultation with the Superintendent, may receive or dismiss students, if occasion calls for such action during this time.

Art. VI. *Missions of the Board*

Whenever possible, all appropriations made for the support of a missionary, shall be made to the congregation served.

Art. VII. *Amendments*

Amendments or revisions of these Rules and Regulations must be submitted at a regular meeting of the Board for action at the next regular meeting, and, after being adopted shall be submitted to the General Council at its next Convention for approval.

The Treasurer's Report of the Slav Mission Board

From July 26th, 1911, to July 27th, 1913

Dr.

Balance on hand July 26th, 1911	$	199 93
Received from the Ministerium of Penna.		7,620 58
Received from the Ministerium of Penna account appropriation		1,750 00
Received from the Ministerium of New York		337 33
Received from the Pittsburgh Synod		2,622 45
Received from the Augustana Synod		925 00
Received from the New York & New England Synod		678 50
Received from the District Synod of Ohio		377 20
Received from the Synod of the Northwest (English)		299 74
Received from the Chicago Synod		225 00
Received from the Canada Synod		98 19
Received from the Central Canada Synod		47 00

Received from the Nova Scotia Synod	$ 48 00
Received from the Ministerium of Penna. through Field Sec..	1,597 27
Received from the Ministerium of N. Y. through Field Sec..	1,422 36
Received from the Pittsburgh Synod through Field Sec.....	2,086 28
Received from the N. Y. & N. E. Synod through Field Sec..	1,351 04
Received from the Missionary Collections	1,911 20
Received from the Northampton Congregation	600 00
Received from the Personal Contributions	101 20
Received from the Slovak Union	25 00
Loans	1,492 50
Sundry Items received	10 00
	$25,825 77

Credits

Salaries and expenses paid to Superintendent, Field Sec. and Missionaries	$18,318 32
Paid for the Education of Students	4,023 32
Loans Paid	2,250 00
Interest on Loans	323 80
Printing, etc.	251 67
Sundry Items	561 09
Balance on hand July 27th, 1913	97 57
	$25,825 77

H. E. YOUNG, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Slav Mission Board for the period as stated above, and find the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. A. WORSLEY,
E. A. TRABERT.

CHARTER OF THE SLAV MISSION BOARD

In Re Incorporation of Slav Mission Board of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.	In the Court of Common Pleas of Carbon County. No. .... October T., 1913

To the Honorable the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Carbon County.

Agreeably to the requirements of an Act of the General Assembly entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of Certain Corporations," approved the 29th day of April, A.D. 1874, and the supplements thereto, the undersigned five citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having associated themselves together for the purposes

hereinafter stated and desiring to be incorporated according to law, do hereby certify:

1. The name of the proposed corporation is and shall be *"Slav Mission Board of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America."*

2. The objects for which the said corporation is formed shall be to conduct the home mission work among the several foreign-speaking peoples of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America not otherwise provided for, and maintain the same in accordance with the confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church as accepted by the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, in such places as may from time to time be determined upon by the said corporation, and provide ways and means for the carrying on and extension of said work, and to perform such other duties as are usually incumbent upon and pertain to a board of home missions.

3. The business of said corporation shall be transacted in the city of Allentown, Pennsylvania.

4. The said corporation has no capital stock and is to exist perpetually.

5. The names and residences of the subscribers are as follows:
Rev. W. M. Rehrig, Ph.D., Mauch Chunk, Pa.
H. E. Young, Macungie, Pa.
Charles A. Worsley, Bethlehem, Pa.
Rev. G. A. Benze, D.D., Erie, Pa.
Rev. H. R. Erdman, Johnstown, Pa.

6. The management and control of said corporation shall be vested in a board not exceeding twelve members who shall be elected by the said General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, for a term of four years, one-half of this number being chosen at each bi-ennial convention of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, for a term of four years; provided however that the present board is so chosen and constituted that the term of membership of one-half of them expires in two years and the term of the other half in four years; and provided further that said Board shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur in its membership between the conventions or meetings of the said General Council. The names and residences of those elected to serve on said Board, and the date of the expiration of their several terms are as follows:

Term ending 1915:

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Term ending 1917:

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WITNESS OUR HANDS AND SEALS this day of Anno Domini One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen.

.....(Seal)
.....(Seal)
.....(Seal)
.....(Seal)
.....(Seal)

State of Pennsylvania,
County of , ss:

Personally appeared before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, residing at ..... in and for the County of ....., ..., and ..... of the subscribers to the above certificate of incorporation, and in due form of law severally acknowledged the same to be their act and deed.

WITNESS my hand and Notarial seal this day of , 1913.

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Notary Public.

My Commission expires .....

And now, , 1913, the above Charter and Certificate of Incorporation having been presented to me, President Judge of Carbon County, accompanied by due proof of the publication of the notice of such application as required by the Act of Assembly and the Rules of Court in such case made and provided, I certify that I have perused and examined said instrument and have found the same to be in proper form and within the purposes named in the first class specified in section Second of the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled: "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of certain Corporations," approved the Twenty-ninth day of April, A.D. 1874, and the supplement thereto, and the same appearing lawful and not injurious to the community, I do hereby, on motion of Daniel W. Sitler, Esquire, on behalf of the petitioners, order and decree that said Charter be and the same is hereby approved, and that upon recording of the same and of this order, the subscribers thereto and their associates shall be a corporation by the name of the *"Slav Mission Board of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America,"* for the purposes and upon the terms therein stated.

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ACTION ON THE SLAV MISSION REPORT

The report was adopted as a whole, after the reference of the Rules and Regulations to the following:

Committee.—The Revs. Dr. H. W. Roth and H. A. Weller, and Messrs. A. L. Bitzer, Grant Hultberg, John M. Snyder, and Frank D. Bittner.

After certain changes proposed in the Eighth Session by the Committee, the Rules and Regulations were adopted in the form given above, and the Charter referred to the Committee on the Revision of Charters.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Slav Mission Board be authorized to incorporate as soon as the Charter is corrected.

The Rev. Dr. Ramer presented the following:

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to suggest a plan to establish a Church Extension Fund available for congregations under the auspices of the Slav Mission Board, this Committee to report at the next meeting of the General Council.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Kunzmann it was

Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Committee now considering Church Extension, and that they report at the next meeting of the General Council.

The Swedish and Slav Mission Boards were elected.

BOARD OF SLAV MISSIONS

For a Term of Four Years

Rev. Earnest A. Trabert.
Rev. Gustave A. Benze, D.D.
Rev. Wilson M. Rehrig, Ph.D.
Mr. H. E. Young.
Mr. Charles A. Worsley.
Mr. Thomas L. Schaeffer.

For a Term of Two Years

Rev. Hugo R. Erdmann.
Rev. A. D. Dianiska.
Rev. A. E. Ericsson.
Rev. William Brenner.
Rev. G. H. Tappert.
Mr. R. F. Stine.
Mr. B. Frank.

For the Swedish Board see the Fifth Session.

The Apportionments proposed by the Finance and Budget Committee were finally passed. (See Fifth Session.)

Mr. W. H. Hager presented the

REPORT OF THE TWO MILLION DOLLAR JUBILEE COMMITTEE

As Acting-Chairman of the Jubilee Fund Committee, I submit the following report:

It will be recollected, that, at the 33rd Convention of the General Council held in Lancaster, September, 1911, our report on a plan of action was adopted as a whole, and it was further resolved, that "The Jubilee Committee be reappointed with full power to carry into execution the plan recommended to this Convention and adopted by it" (see Minutes, 1911, page 177, motion of E. Augustus Miller, Esq.) As the action of the General Council must be confirmed by its various Synods, through members of our committee and advocates of the plan, we endeavored to get favorable action at the annual Synodical meetings held in 1912.

This effort resulted as follows: Favorable action was taken by following Synodical Bodies, and cooperating committees were, as a rule, appointed: The Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the New York and New England Synod, The Pittsburgh Synod, The District Synod of Ohio, The Canada Synod, The Synod of Central Canada, and The Synod of Nova Scotia. The English Synod of the Northwest appointed a Jubilee Committee, indicating favorable action, The Chicago Synod referred the matter to its conferences (1912). Final action unknown. The Ministerium of New York, no action, 1912; postponed until 1913; final action not known. Pacific Synod, no action 1912, but favorable action indicated for 1912. Final action not known. Manitoba Synod, no action 1912; action promised next Convention, result not known. Augustana Synod, unfavorable action. To recapitulate: Approved by eight Synods; action unknown, but approval indicated, four Synods; unfavorable action, one Synod.

While your committee feel gratified over favorable approval by most of the Synods, we deeply regret the declination of Augustana Synod to cooperate in this great movement, as she represents one of the largest, most influential and most liberal constituencies among the Lutheran Bodies of North America, and we therefore consider her cooperation of almost vital import for the successful carrying out of our Jubilee Fund plan. Augustana, it will be remembered, was represented at the New York Conference of the Presidents of Synods and your committee, by Rev. Dr. F. Jacobson, of Brooklyn, who not only expressed warm approval for the plan, but suggested one of the strongest features—Clause 3—"that the entire fund shall be vested in and controlled by the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America." Your committee therefore cannot accept as final the unfavorable action of Augustana, and believe that she may be persuaded to reconsider and probably rescind the same, if there be a strong presentation made of the magnitude of the plan, its breadth of purpose, its significance as a fitting memorial to our great Founder, Martin Luther. Your committee will therefore present for your consideration and adoption, a resolution to be personally trans-

mitted by our delegate to the next meeting of Augustana Synod, and to those Synods which may not have taken favorable action.

Nothing of further import could be done by your committee, as our work will not commence until September, 1914, when a one year educational campaign will be started, followed one year later, in 1915, by the opening of an Executive Office, and the start of actual work to raise the Jubilee Fund.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the President of the General Council be authorized to send a special committee to the next meeting of the Augustana Synod, with instructions to present the following Resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Augustana Synod does not see its way clear to cooperate in the Two Million Dollar Jubilee Fund Plan, therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That we herewith express deep regret over this action, and do most respectfully and prayerfully request its reconsideration.

2. That the Jubilee Fund Committee be authorized to confer with other General Bodies in the Evangelical Lutheran Church concerning the advisability and feasibility of a united effort to secure a Jubilee Memorial Fund to signalize the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation, it being understood that each Body shall gather and adminster its own Fund.

3. That the Pension Fund Committee be merged with the Jubilee Fund Committee, in view of the fact that their work lies in a similar sphere.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. HAGER, *Acting-Chairman Jubilee Committee*

The Report, with its recommendations, was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. J. C. Seegers presented the

REPORT ON GENERAL COUNCIL MINISTERIAL PENSION FUND

Your Committee on Ministerial Pension Fund held two meetings since the Lancaster Convention of this Body. We are ready to submit our Report in harmony with the instructions given us at that Convention, but, inasmuch as the entire subject has assumed a somewhat different phase and, inasmuch as certain facts have appeared which will have a decided bearing on the matter, and which will affect very materially the plan which this Body should adopt, your Committee would very respectfully suggest:

1. That the Jubilee Fund Committee be appointed to confer with the other General Bodies in the Evangelical Lutheran Church concerning the advisability and feasibility of a united effort to secure a Jubilee Memorial Fund to signalize the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation, it being understood that each body shall gather and administer its own funds.

2. That the Pension Fund Committee be merged with the Jubilee Fund Committee, in view of the fact that their work lies in a similar sphere.

EARNEST ANTON TRABERT, *Secretary.*

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. Dr. L. D. Reed presented the

REPORT OF THE CHURCH BOOK COMMITTEE

The Church Book Committee met in Philadelphia November 15, 1911, with eleven members present, and on November 25, 26, 1912, with fourteen present.

At the latter meeting the Chairman, Dr. H. E. Jacobs, "in view of the fact that the Committee has been engaged for years in a series of efforts with many interruptions that can readily cause confusion, and since the membership of the Committee has greatly changed," presented a paper "proposing action that should be taken concerning the understanding of the Committee as to the work upon which it is engaged, the instructions upon which it is acting, the modes of procedure, and the matters yet to be provided to increase the efficiency of the Church Book."

This paper, which was printed in full in the *Lutheran Church Review* for January 1913, p. 117, sq., discussed the following matters entrusted to the Committee:

The Orders for Public Services.
The Orders for Minsterial Acts.
The Translation of the Augsburg Confession.
The Translation of Luther's Small Catechism.
The Common Hymnal.

It also indicated as desirable subjects for future Committee work, the preparation of additional Collects and of Orders for Family Worship.

It suggested greater continuity of effort and the publication of the Minutes of the Committee in permanent form, and concluded as follows: "In view of the sacred trust which we hold, and our responsibility for preserving all advantages that have been attained, and for handing this Book down to coming generations, this Committee must necessarily become a permanent Standing Committee, and have for its direction a regular code of Rules similar to those governing the various Boards of the General Council."

The Committee resolved to meet quarterly, except during the summer quarter; to prepare a code of standing rules; to give immediate attention to the work of securing actual agreement, so far as possible, in the text of the various editions of the Common Service, and to the completion of the Common Hymnal, and in addition to this, to prosecute the work upon the Ministerial Acts and upon the Orders for Family Worship.

The Committee also recommends to the General Council the preparation of certain forms, including Confession and Absolution, and also additional Collects, to be privately printed and circulated, so that they may be tested before being officially adopted.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

The Committee was most actively engaged during the biennium in the continued effort to carry out the instructions of the General Council at Minneapolis (Minutes 1909, pp. 100-01), which directed the Committee

"to invite the official co-operation of the General Synod and the United Synod South in an effort to arrive at a full and perfect agreement which will permit the Common Service henceforth to be published and used in the three bodies without a single variation; and also to enter upon a final revision of the proposed Common Hymnal, and to prepare a common authorized musical setting for the same; and to print the Common Book, when prepared, from a standard set of plates." (See also Minutes 1911, p. 233.)

WORK ACCOMPLISHED

The details involved in this undertaking, the method employed and the progress made in the first two years were fully indicated in the Report to the General Council at Lancaster (Minutes 1911, pp. 232-35). During the past two years work on the Liturgy, Hymnal and Music of the Common Book has been steadily prosecuted along the same lines.

The work has been divided among various sub-committees, each of which has held many meetings, while personal work of research, compilation and editorial criticism done by some individual members has been very extensive.

The Joint Committee met in Philadelphia November 15, 16, 1911.

MEETINGS AND MEMBERS OF THE SUB-COMMITTEES

The sub-committee of the Church Book Committee on Text of the Liturgy met December 30, 1912.

The sub-committee of the Church Book Committee on Text of the Hymnal met December 26, 1912, January 7, 21, and February 4, 1913.

The full Joint sub-committee on Text of the Hymnal met April 15, 1913.

The full Joint sub-committee on Text of the Liturgy met June 16, 17, 1913.

The Joint sub-committee on Music met October, 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 18, 22, 23, 29, 31, and November 7, 1912.

Twenty-three days were thus given to actual Committee work.

The Church Book Committee appointments on the full Joint sub-committees are as follows:

Joint sub-committee on Text of Liturgy—Rev. Drs. H. E. Jacobs, Horn, Schmauk, Reed, Benze, and Rev. Mr. Steimle.

Joint sub-committee on Text of Hymnal—Rev. Drs. H. E. Jacobs, Ohl, Reed and Rev. Mr. Mattes.

Joint sub-committee on Music—Rev. Drs. Ohl and Reed and Rev. Messrs. Rees, Steimle and Haberland.

THE COMMON SERVICE

Exceedingly gratifying progress has been made in the effort to secure absolute agreement in the editions of the Common Service published by the General Council, General Synod and the United Synod South. A Joint sub-committee, consisting of ten representatives of these three bodies, after painstaking examination of every part of the service, came

to agreement upon practically every point of difference. The Standard Text as adopted November 30, 1888, was taken as a basis. Both the General Council and the General Synod editions contain numerous departures from this text. The General Council itself resolved to return to the Standard in nearly every variation (Minutes 1909, pp. 85-101). The representatives of the General Synod agreed to change many similar variations from the Standard Text in their edition. Some slight modifications, suggested by experience and the use of the service during the past twenty-five years, were unitedly agreed upon, and the entire series of rubrics, the phraseology of which had never been a matter of common agreement, was carefully revised and an identical text adopted.

If, as seems entirely likely and is most earnestly to be desired, this agreement in its present or some slightly revised form, is approved by the entire Joint Committee at its next meeting and then finally adopted by the three bodies themselves, every difference will be removed and an absolutely Common Service, so heartily desired by the entire Church, will be assured.

Certain items of phraseology and re-arrangement, as well as the opening Versicle and Response in Vespers (O Lord, open Thou my lips: *And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise*) and some additional Responsories, all of which are now found only in the Church Book, are recommended for incorporation in the Revised Standard Text.

The chief changes involved in the present General Council edition by the proposed agreement may be indicated in general as follows:

Already Approved by the General Council

Order of parts—Offertory, Offerings, General Prayer.
Order of parts—Pax (without Amen), Agnus.
Slight changes in text of the Verba, Thanksgiving Collect and Litany.
Omission of General Prayer VIII.
The printing of the full text of Gospels and Epistles with Introits and Collects for the Day.
Certain minor changes in phraseology, form, etc.

New

Hallelujah Sentence for Christmas.
Omission of the Exhortation.
Enlarged Selection of Psalms and Table of Psalms.
Additional Collects.
Probable slight changes in the General Prayer.
Probable new series of lessons in Table of Lessons for Sundays and Festivals.
New Preface to the Book.

THE COMMON HYMNAL

The preliminary work upon the Common Hymnal was fully reported two years ago (Minutes 1911, pp. 233-34). The Joint Committee met in Philadelphia November 15, 16, 1911, and examined the final report of the sub-committee on Text. The latter Committee was then instructed to

publish the work in a printed proof copy as a basis for further critical study and revision.

The proof copy came from the press July 1912. It contains 629 hymns and its distinctive features as compared with the present hymnal in the Church Book are:

The omission of 302 hymns in the Church Book and the insertion of 281 new hymns.

Insertion of cross references at the end of each rubrical group of hymns.

A separate collection of Children's Hymns (54 in number) at the end of the book.

A different arrangement of the hymns.

The Hymnal abandons the old plan of dogmatic divisions, which crept into our hymnals as a result of late eighteenth and early nineteenth century ideas. The arrangement now proposed is a return to the more objective and churchly plan found in our earlier American Lutheran hymnals (e. g. Muhlenberg's in German and Kunze's in English) and in very recent hymnals both in Germany and in England. This plan brings the Hymnal into harmony with the general liturgical principle by which the Church has arranged the order of Christian life in Seasons, and has provided appropriate Gospels, Epistles, Introits, Collects, etc., for the same. Hymns suitable to the Festival Seasons of the Church Year which review the life of our Lord and lay stress upon the Christian life of the congregation as following His life are given precedence and constitute the first and principal part of the book. These are followed by hymns on the great topics of faith and life in general classes, without too minute sub-division, as follows:

The Word
The Sacraments
The Church
The Christian Life
Times and Seasons
The Life Everlasting
Children's Hymns

Of the 629 hymns 425 are English and 204 are translations, the latter distributed as follows:

From the German	126
" " Latin	55
" " Greek	11
" " Swedish	5
" " Danish	3
" " Italian	2
" " French	1
" " Welsh	1

This proof copy has been most minutely and critically examined during the past year. Many corrections of a textual character and especially of

author, translator and date credits, capitalization, etc., have been made. The sub-committee is now prepared to propose the omission of probably twenty hymns from the collection and the insertion of nearly an equal number of new hymns, as well as numerous items of substitution and re-arrangement. The Joint Committee will meet within a few weeks and will, in all probability, pass finally upon the text of the Hymnal at that meeting.

THE MUSIC OF THE HYMNAL

Much preliminary work has been done on the music of the book. A comparative study has been made showing all the tunes given in all the meters in sixteen standard Hymnals. All the hymns in the proof copy have also been marked with the tunes assigned them in any of these Hymnals, in which they are found. These studies of the comparative usage of tunes and of the consensus of editorial judgment in the sixteen best English Hymnals of all Churches in England, Scotland, Canada and the United States formed the basis for the work of the sub-committee on Music. This Committee held eleven meetings during the biennium and provisionally assigned tunes to 300 hymns. This part of the work will be prosecuted earnestly as soon as the Joint Committee shall have finally determined the text.

THE COMPLETION OF THE WORK

Inasmuch as it is possible that the work upon the Liturgy (not including the Ministerial Acts) and the Hymnal may be completed before the next meeting of the General Council, the Committee respectfully inquires whether the previous instructions of the General Council are to be understood as an authorization of the Common Book and as conveying authority to the Committee and the Publication Board, without further report to the Council, to print and place it on sale as soon as the other Bodies to the agreement shall also have officially adopted the work?

It is a matter of great gratification that the twenty-fifth anniversary year of the publication of the Common Service should witness the final agreement of the representatives of the three Bodies in the matter of an identical text, with the promise which this holds for the happy removal of all the differences which in this matter have so long disturbed the Church.

The Council has not yet adopted the common translation of Luther's Catechism prepared by the Joint Committee some years ago. If the Publication Board were authorized to publish a trial edition of this translation it could be tested by several years' usage before final action is taken.

With entire agreement in the Common Service, the Hymnal and the translation of the Augsburg Confession, now assured, it remains but to secure the authorization of the Council for the common translation of the Catechism and to push the work upon common forms for Ministerial Acts, in order to secure a complete Common Book by the four hundredth anniversary of the Reformation, 1917.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER D. REED, *Secretary Church Book Committee.*

ACTION ON THE CHURCH BOOK

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Reed it was

Resolved, That, inasmuch as it is possible that the work upon the Liturgy and the Hymnal may be completed before the next meeting of the General Council, the Council hereby officially authorizes the Church Book Committee to act for it in the adoption of the Common Book, and authorizes the Committee and the Publication Board, without further report to the Council, to print and place it on sale as soon as the other Bodies to the agreement shall also have officially adopted the work.

On motion of Dr. Haas it was

Resolved, That the Publication Board be authorized to publish a trial edition of the common translation of Luther's Catechism prepared by the Joint Committees some years ago.

On motion of Dr. Horn it was

Resolved, That the attention of the Church Book Committee be called to certain resolutions adopted at Minneapolis. (See Minutes, 1909, pages 99-101.)

The Rev. Dr. Berkemeier, German Recording Secretary, read a reply from Dr. Sandt, stating his heartfelt appreciation of the Council's kindly sympathy.

The Rev. Dr. Keiter presented the Report on Part I of the President's Report. (See First Session.)

The Rev. Dr. Mechling presented the

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FAITH AND ORDER

Your Committee to which was referred the subjoined Report of the Committee on The World Conference on Faith and Order, would respectfully report, that, having carefully examined the Report, together with our President's eminently satisfactory correspondence with the representatives of the Protestant Episcopal Church, it hereby earnestly recommends the adoption of the same.

G. W. Mechling,
J. F. Ohl,
S. G. Weiskotten,
W. D. C. Keiter,
H. M. M. Richards,
G. E. Forsberg,
J. A. W. Kirsch.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER

The Committee reports the following recommendations:

1. That the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America is deeply interested in the effort to promote the unity of the Church of Christ, begun by the Protestant Episcopal Church in

October, 1910, by the appointment of a Commission to bring about a Conference for the consideration of questions touching Faith and Order. and to ask all Christian nations throughout the world which confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour to unite with them in arranging for and conducting such a Conference.

2. That the General Council heartily welcomes discussions on the subject of Christian unity, and on all doctrines in which Christians agree and differ, conducted in the spirit of thoroughness, integrity, and Christian charity.

3. That the General Council points to the fact, that there has been, is, and will be abiding through all time, one holy Christian Church, which is the assembly of all believers, among whom the Gospel is purely preached, and the holy sacraments are administered, as the Gospel demands.

4. The General Council also sets forth, that, to the true unity of the Church, it is sufficient that there be agreement touching the doctrine of the Gospel, that it be preached in one accord in its pure sense, and that the Sacraments be administered conformably to God's Word.

5. The General Council, therefore, believes that questions touching Faith or Doctrine are on a higher plane and should have a prior consideration to questions touching Order, which are secondary.

6. The General Council believes that it is its first duty, and the first duty of every particular Church, to seek to gain a unity in the true faith among those of its own household, that is, among all Lutherans throughout the world, and promises solemnly to set itself to the great work of bringing the many ecclesiastical divisions of Lutheranism throughout the world into fuller consciousness of the unity of the one and same faith in which they stand, and, on the basis of that same pure faith, into the unity of fellowship with each other.

7. While regretting that it is unable to unite with the Commission of the Episcopal Church in arranging for and conducting a Conference on Faith and Order, whose ultimate view is the visible reunion of Christendom, for the reasons that

(1) It holds that the subject should be more widely and thoroughly discussed by way of preparation, with utmost freedom to all, in public print, and with such detail as would be impossible in any convention, and as a preliminary to the assembly of a conference.

(2) It is now and will always be constitutionally unable to go into a unity of Faith or Order with large numbers of Christians who differ from it in faith, and with those Christians who place unity of Order on the same plane of importance as unity of Faith.

(3) It does not believe that a synthesis of Protestantism and Romanism, or of evangelical Protestantism and rationalistic Protestantism, or of conservative Protestantism and socialistic Protestantism, is possible or desirable.

8. Yet, nevertheless, it hereby resolves to appoint a Committee on the Unity of Faith which shall be authorized, without participating in the organization or arrangement of any conference, to present and set forth

the Lutheran Faith, touching particular doctrines, either independently, or when they are under discussion in any gathering or conference, without, however, granting the committee any power of association, arrangement, fellowship, or practical direction, but confining it to the one specific function of witness and testimony to the Faith that is in us, and which we rejoice to confess, and to have tested, before all the world. The said committee shall be a standing committee of the General Council, to be reappointed at successive conventions, as the Council may direct.

Both of the above reports were unanimously adopted as a whole.

On motion of the Rev. George Drach it was

Resolved, That the President of the General Council be the chairman of the Committee above called for.

Committee on World Conference on Faith and Order.—President of the General Council, Chairman; Rev. G. W. Mechling, D.D., Rev. Carl E. Lindberg, D.D., LL.D., Rev. H. E. Jacobs, D.D., LL.D., Rev. G. C. F. Haas, D.D., Rev. R. F. Weidner, D.D., S.T.D., Rev. C. Armand Miller, D.D., Rev. J. Stump, D.D., Rev. E. P. H. Pfatteicher, Ph.D., Rev. Prof. O. Lincke, H. M. M. Richards, Litt.D., Mr. F. C. Hassold, Mr. E. A. Bartram, Mr. W. S. T. Derr.

The Rev. W. M. Horn presented an invitation for the Convention of 1917. (See Sixth Session.)

Adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Prof. P. W. H. Frederick, of the Pacific Synod's Theological Seminary.

(After adjournment the members of the convention were conveyed by automobiles to St. Lucas Church.)

EIGHTH SESSION

St. Lucas Church,

Monday, September 15, 2 p. m.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. Robert D. Roeder. DuBois, Pa.

The Minutes of the Seventh Session were read and approved.

The President announced the special order to be

RECEPTION OF OFFICIAL VISITORS

The Rev. Prof. Max Fritschel, Director of the Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa, as Official Visitor for the Ger-

man Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa and Other States, addressed the Convention in the German language, followed in English by the Rev. William H. Greever, D.D., of Columbia, S. C., as Official Visitor for the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South. To each of these addresses, the President responded fittingly.

The Rev. Dr. Keiter presented the

REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL ARBITRATION COMMISSION

Your committee to whom you referred certain protests and complaints of reputed encroachment on the part of the General Synod on territory reserved under the mutual agreements of 1895 and 1897, and to meet with a similar committee of the General Synod to arbitrate and amicably adjust, if possible, the misunderstandings and unhappy contentions arising out of the differences of interpretation of the meaning of the said mutual agreements of 1895 and 1897, begs leave to report:

That, after several preliminary meetings, we met the members of the committee of the General Synod at Lancaster, Pa., on September 18, 1911, and organized the Joint Arbitration Commission, electing the Rev. W. D. C. Keiter, D.D., Chairman, and the Rev. F. P. Manhart, D. D., Secretary.

After the presentation of the credentials of both the members of the committee of the General Council and of the General Synod, the question was raised as to the scope of the powers to act which the several General Bodies had delegated to their committees. The General Synod's committee replied that the General Synod's committee had plenipotentiary authority in the premises. The members of your committee replied that, being appointed to arbitrate and determine for the Council, their powers were binding and final in all matters relating to the adjustment of questions and protested matters delegated and referred to the Commission.

Acting in good faith that both committees were thus empowered to determine the questions in arbitration, we proceeded to define and fix principles which should govern the arbitration of matters referred to the Joint Commission.

The Chairman of the General Synod's committee replied that the committee of the General Synod deemed it essential for successful practical cooperation in the future, that this Joint Commission first determine and define clearly the terms of the compact of 1895 and 1897, and more particularly the word "field" in the resolution adopted by both the General Council and the General Synod, which reads:

"That, wherever one Body of the Lutheran Church, hereunto consenting, is in occupation of a field, and is shown to be in a reasonable measure able to care for our Lutheran material therein, the other, or others, shall respect such occupation, and abstain from any attempt to plant an additional congregation to operate in the same language; and that in case of

any disagreement the Home Mission Boards or committees of the Bodies concerned shall amicably adjust such differences." (Min. of Council of 1895, pp. 16-18, Res. No. 3.)

That such interpretation is essential, as a basis for all arbitration in the premises, was agreed by your committee. Thereupon the committee of the General Synod, submitted to the Joint Commission for approval the following interpretation:

"That wherever one Body of the Lutheran Church, hereunto consenting, is in occupation of a field (a village or town or small city, or a community, so occupied by one of the General Bodies as not to leave room for an additional congregation; or in case where it would overlap the natural parish bounds of congregations already in existence, or interfere with their work), and when it is shown to be, in a reasonable degree, able to care for our Lutheran material therein, the other, or others, shall respect such occupancy and abstain from any attempt to plant an additional congregation (to operate in the same language); and that in case of any disagreement, the Home Mission Boards or committees of the Bodies concerned shall seek to amicably adjust such differences; and in case of inability to effect such adjustment, the case be referred for final settlement, to the Joint Commission of the Bodies."

To this interpretation the General Council committee proposed the following counter-proposition:

"In the territory of the United States east of the Mississippi River, exclusive of Minnesota and Wisconsin, the Word "field" shall be construed as applying to villages, towns, small cities and communities; but, in territory lying west of the Mississippi River, including the entire States of Minnesota and Wisconsin, and all of Canada, the word 'field' shall be construed as applying to certain large territories bounded by state or province lines."

After lengthy discussion of these counter-definitions, and reference to a sub-committee, the Joint Commission agreed and adopted the following: (Min. of 1911, pp. 244, 245).

"Whereas, In the course of time questions have arisen concerning the interpretation of the word 'field' in the compact and regulations for co-operation, concluded in 1895 and 1897, therefore be it

Resolved, First, That in the territory conjointly occupied by the two General Bodies, wherever one Body of the Lutheran Church hereunto consenting is in occupation of a field, (a village or town or small city or a community, so occupied by one of the General Bodies, as not to leave room for an additional congregation; or in a case where it would overlap the natural parish bounds of congregations already in existence, or interfere with their work), and, when it is shown to be in a reasonable measure able to care for our Lutheran material therein, the other or others shall respect such occupancy and abstain from any attempt to plant an additional congregation (to operate in the same language), and that in

case of any disagreement, the Home Mission Boards or Committees of the Bodies concerned shall seek to amicably adjust such differences. And in case of inability to effect such adjustment, the case be referred for final settlement to the Joint Commission of the Bodies.

Resolved, Second, That in territory not yet jointly occupied by the negotiating Bodies in this compact, the word 'field' shall be construed as applying to certain large territories to be fixed and agreed upon by this joint commission and definitely bounded by territorial lines."

Whereupon it was resolved, that the Joint Commission adjourn to meet again in the City of Pittsburgh, Pa., during the first week in November, 1911, to enter upon the work of defining the bounds of territory to be allotted to each of the two General Bodies, as provided by resolution number two.

On September 19th, 1911, the General Council being in session in Trinity Church, Lancaster, Pa., your Committee reported to you the agreement reached by the Joint Commission, which you unanimously endorsed, and instructed and empowered the Committee to complete the work. (Min. of Council of 1911, p. 245.)

On the first day of November, 1911, in the First Lutheran Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., the Joint Commission met to proceed with the work of defining the bounds of territory and allotting the same to the activities of the two General Bodies, under resolution number two of Lancaster, Pa.

After several propositions and counter-propositions the question of defining bounds was referred to a sub-committee, upon whose report the following action was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted:

Resolved, Third, That

I. In States not mentioned herein, general rule No. 1, adopted at Lancaster, Pa., shall apply.

II. The States of Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, California, and Texas are to be regarded as the special fields of the General Synod.

III. The States of Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, the Province of British Columbia, and the Territory of Alaska are to be regarded as the special fields of the General Council.

As to Wisconsin, it is understood that the assignment of this State to the General Council is not to be construed as an interference with the work of the congregations already established there by the General Synod.

IV. The work now being carried on by the General Synod or the General Council, in languages other than English, throughout the Provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, and New Brunswick shall not be interfered with in any way.

Regarding the English Home Mission work, the division of this territory shall be referred to the Home Mission Boards of the General Bodies herein represented. In case the Boards shall fail to agree, the final assignment shall be made by this Joint Commission.

V. The occupation of a special field assigned by this Commission to one of the General Bodies shall not be to the exclusion of a congregation or congregations belonging to the other General Body already existing on the same territory, nor interfere with their development.

VI. Should any one General Body at any time be petitioned to do work on the special field assigned to the other General Body, the petitioners shall first be directed to the Board in charge of the territory; and, in the event of their failure to satisfy the petitioners, application shall be made by the Mission Board of the party thus petitioned to the Mission Board of the party occupying the special field; nor shall such work be begun without the consent of both Boards. In case of disagreement of these Boards the matter shall be referred to this Joint Commission for final adjudication.

It was *"Resolved,* That the conclusions reached by this Joint Commission, which meets in Pittsburgh today, be published in all the Church papers, and that the Home Mission Boards of the General Synod and the General Council be officially notified that this is the action of this Joint Commission, and that we shall expect them to conform thereto."

It was further *"Resolved,* That the Joint Commission adjourn to meet at a time and place to be designated by the President and Secretary of the Joint Commission, to take up for arbitration, on these established bases, the matter of protests from individual congregations, district synods, or mission boards."

Your Committee desires to record with pleasure that the spirit in which the representatives of the General Synod treated them was most courteous, cordial, emphatic, and fraternal; and all action adopted was marked by a unanimity which promised henceforth to avoid all semblance of friction, to the glory of our common faith and the fruitful co-operation of the two General Bodies, to build up our Lutheran Zion in entire harmony, with purpose to conserve our Lutheran energies and resources so as to cover efficiently the largest possible territory.

The resolutions adopted at Lancaster and Pittsburgh having been published and called to the attention of the Mission Boards of the two General Bodies, it was learned, from accounts in the church papers and otherwise, that the Home Mission Board of the General Synod refused to recognize the authority of the Joint Commission, or to observe its resolutions until the same should have been submitted to, and approved by the General Synod.

As provided in the resolution to adjourn at Pittsburgh, the next meeting of the Joint Commission took place in Harrisburg, Pa., on the 6th day of November, 1912.

Between the time of the meetings at Pittsburgh and Harrisburg, the

personnel of the membership of the Committee of the General Synod had been somewhat changed, and the Rev. Dr. D. H. Bauslin appeared as Chairman of that Committee in place of the Rev. Dr. Hamma, and your Committee was taken by great surprise at a total change of attitude on the part of the General Synod's representatives, both as to the former action of the Joint Commission, and as to their own authority in the premises.

Instead of their former assertion of plenipotentiary authority to arbitrate and determine principles and bases of arbitration, they now presented the assertion that their powers were limited to mere conferential authority under the old resolution of 1893; and, instead of the enthusiastic insistence upon the former resolutions of the Joint Commission as the best present, visible solution of the problems which had heretofore caused friction, the Chairman of the Committee of the General Synod, at the opening of the Harrisburg meeting, formally asked for "a reconsideration of the action taken by the Joint Commission at Pittsburgh on the division of territory, and to substitute the first Lancaster resolution, making it applicable to the whole territory."

This was asking your Committee to consent to start again at the beginning, and to adopt the interpretation of the word "field" in the compact of 1895 and 1897 according to the definition presented by Dr. Bell for the General Synod's representatives at the first meeting of the Joint Commission in Lancaster, Pa.

Your Committee (recognizing that it is a natural temptation for each of two or more Mission Boards, to which any territory is open ground, to attempt to anticipate the others by seizing upon a few strong, strategic points in that territory to control the field without properly developing the whole of it, and so to use the resources of the Church in a competitive effort to gather some harvest in widely scattered fields, instead of patiently sowing the seed and cultivating it to eventually produce a uniform and general result from the pregnant possibilities in any fixed territory, and conserve and develop the whole Church in America), felt itself constrained to reply, representing to the representatives of the General Synod our sincere desire to co-operate with them in every way for the promotion and conservation of our Lutheran Church in this country, and the harmony and peace of the General Bodies represented in these negotiations, that it would be unwise to open negotiations now looking to a revision of the principles enunciated at the Lancaster meeting, or the plan adopted at Pittsburgh; and recommended instead, that the plan, as adopted, be reported to our respective Bodies and tried, without change, for a period of years.

Upon this answer, the General Synod Committee withdrew its request, professing to recognize the righteousness of our position, and offered a resolution, unanimously adopted, "That we report to and support before our respective Bodies the actions taken at Lancaster and Pittsburgh as the best present visible solution of the problems that have heretofore caused friction."

The Joint Commission then proceeded to a consideration of the individual appeals for arbitration presented by local congregations and Synodical Mission Committees. In the case of the appeal from the Swedish Church at Ottumwa, Iowa, it was resolved to refer the protests to the Swedish Board of Home Missions of the General Council and the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod, with request that they try to adjust and reconcile the differences at Ottumwa, having regard for the compact made between the General Synod and the General Council in 1895 and amended in 1897, and the interpretation of the word "field" as determined by resolution number one adopted at Lancaster in 1911. Similar action was taken referring the protests in the cases of Seattle, Washington; Grand Forks, North Dakota; and Erie and Jeannette in Pennsylvania, to the local Home Mission Boards or Committees of the General Council and the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod.

It was further resolved, that all local protests arising after the publication which was made of the compact at Pittsburgh, Pa., be referred, by the Secretary of the Joint Commission, to the respective Boards or Mission Committees of the General Bodies here represented, to be adjusted and reconciled, if possible, under the resolutions of the Commission at Pittsburgh, Pa., as interpreting the first and second resolutions at Lancaster, and these together to be referred to and regarded as the interpretation of the compact of 1895-7.

Pursuant to this resolution and the further resolution, "that the Secretary collect together the actions of the General Bodies, cause them to be printed and presented to local boards for their guidance," a printed pamphlet was issued to all Mission Boards and Committees of the General Synod and the General Council, detailing the procedure and findings of the Joint Arbitration Commission; asking that

"(a) All protests shall be primarily inquired into by the Mission Boards or Committees of the Bodies locally concerned, with a view to amicably adjust the differences; and in case of inability on the part of such Boards or Committees locally concerned to effect such adjustment, the matter be referred, together with all evidences to be reviewed, to the Joint Arbitration Commission for final settlement.

"(b) The consideration of protests should not be delayed unduly, but taken up by the Mission Boards or Committees of local Synodical Bodies, in accordance with the above bases for arbitration and adjustment, at the earliest convenience after proper protests have been received. The Board receiving the protests should invite the Board representing the Body against whom protest is made to a conference for such adjustment. Should the Body so invited refuse or fail to enter into such conference for adjustment, this fact, together with the protest and all evidence in its behalf to be reviewed, shall be certified, by the Board inviting such conference, to the Joint Arbitration Commission for action."

Before making any recommendations to the General Council, your Committee desires to call the attention of the Council to certain facts subsequent to the meeting at Harrisburg, Pa. In its report to the General

Synod at Atchison, Kansas, May 16th, 1913, the Committee of the General Synod, instead of advocating the adoption of the resolutions agreed to, among other things said that "The division made at Pittsburgh does not commend itself to the men who are most closely identified with the work of Home Missions and Church Extension among us, therefore we recommend that this Body would respectfully and fraternally ask that this division of territory above referred to be changed so that no fixed boundary lines shall be insisted upon by the Synod or the Council."

Upon the adoption of this recommendation of its Committee, the General Synod repudiated both the authority of its Committee to "arbitrate" and the entire work of this Joint Commission.

Considering the limitations of the forces and resources at the command of the Lutheran Church for developing the fields of both the General Council and the General Synod, and heartily desiring to avoid any impairment of the energies of either Body by the creation of dual organizations and dual institutions on the same territory, your Committee is impressed with a conviction that the plan of the General Synod must stand for a division, not of territory and property only, but of Mission and Church Extension forces and of the spirit of the Church also, into two rival camps, thus intruding and establishing, in all the newer territory in North America, a permanent policy of a divided English Lutheranism, and postponing, for generations to come, the day of a United Lutheran Church for which both the General Council and the General Synod are or profess to be looking and praying.

Our Committee's plan, on the other hand, stands for a fraternal and righteous attempt to cover the needs of any given territory and permanently to plant there Synodical organizations which shall be unharrassed units in themselves and a power for disseminating the pure Gospel, creating a solid influence, on behalf of Lutheranism, without division, without rivalry, and without question in the entire community.

In view of the situation confronting us, and with an earnest and sincere desire to promote the growth of our Lutheran Church in this country; and, believing that the plan adopted by the Joint Commission after mature deliberation and prayerful conference at Lancaster and Pittsburgh, reaffirmed at Harrisburg, will best promote harmony between the General Bodies, we do respectfully submit the following

RECOMMENDATIONS

I. That the action of the Joint Commission and the position taken by the General Council's committee be and is hereby adopted.

II. That the General Council hereby propose to and urge the General Synod to reconsider its action in the premises taken at Atchison, Kansas, in May, 1913; and, to return to the compact unanimously agreed upon at the sessions of the Joint Commission at Lancaster, Pa., September 18th, 1911, at Pittsburgh, Pa., November 1st, 1911, and at Harrisburg, Pa., November 6th, 1912.

III. That, in the meantime, under conditions which can not be immediately adjusted, we can only regret the spirit manifested and try to protect our members against all intrusion that would set up altar against altar and plant institution against institution in the Lutheran name by those who enter territory in which the pioneer work has been or is being done by the members, forces and resources of the General Council.

IV. That, conditioned that nothing be done in conflict with the Fundamental Principles of Faith and Church Polity of the Council, this committee be continued with power to act for arbitration and the promotion of measures that contemplate the practical cooperation, unification and harmony of the Lutheran Church in America.

W. D. C. KEITER, *Chairman.*

Attest: H. A. WELLER, *Secretary.*

After authorizing some slight verbal improvements in the third Recommendation, the Council adopted the Recommendations unanimously, and then unanimously adopted the Report as a whole in the form given above.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Horn, it was

Resolved, That the communication from the Ministerium of Pennsylvania be accepted, and referred to the General Council Commission on Arbitration.

The Slav Mission Board Report was finished. See the Seventh Session.

For a motion by Dr. Kunzmann on the Pacific Synod's overture and the Convention of 1919, see the Sixth Session.

The Rev. H. R. Erdmann presented the Report of the Committee to Nominate the Board of Immigrant Missions, and the nominees were elected. See the Fifth Session.

Rev. E. M. Ritter presented the Report on Part II of the President's Report (see First Session).

Committee of Five on Rules for Future Incorporation.—Rev. G. C. F. Haas, D.D., E. Augustus Miller, Esq., Rev. C. Armand Miller, D.D., Rev. F. P. Mayser, D.D., Mr. Robert E. Gaskell, G. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., Rev. A. J. Reichert.

The Rev. Dr. F. A. Kaehler was instructed to draw up resolutions with reference to the decease of the Rev. Drs. W. J. Miller and J. L. Smith.

In the Ninth Session the Rev. Dr. Kaehler presented the following Minute, which was adopted by a rising vote:

MINUTE UPON THE DEATH OF DEPARTED MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

On Christmas Eve in 1912 the Rev. Wm. J. Miller, D.D., of Greensburg, Pa., in the manful prime of his 56th year, was quickly called to the undying festivities of the Heavenly Home.

The General Council records its grateful remembrance of the conspicuous services he rendered in the many high places of trust and honor to which the Church had called him, and prays the Lord of the harvest to send forth many laborers in the spirit of his devotion.

On June 21st, 1913, the Rev. J. L. Smith, D.D., a brave workman in the fields of Christ up to the bright evening of his useful life, in his 77th year, was called from the work he loved to the Lord he served. From many forms of devoted zeal in the Church in his last years he rose to the ardent apostleship of our Mission in Porto Rico. With the progress of the Mission his name will always be cherished in grateful and loving remembrance. The workman has risen to his reward, his work abides to his glory. The memory of the just is blessed.

After prayer by the Rev. H. L. Henkel, of Pearl Lake, Ont., Can., the Council adjourned.

NINTH SESSION

St. Matthew's Church,
Tuesday, September 16, 9 a. m.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. Prof. C. A. Blomgren, Ph.D., of Augustana Theological Seminary.

The Minutes of the Eighth Session were read and adopted.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the English Corresponding Secretary express our sympathy with the Rev. Dr. L. A. Johnston and deep regret that on account of illness he could not attend the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Dressler presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DOCUMENTS

Your committee would respectfully report that all documents to which our attention has been directed have been referred to the proper committees to which said documents belong.

The Committee.
W. Geo. Dressler, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Ohl presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

Since the last meeting of the General Council the Committee on Church Music has suffered its second great loss in the death, on October 23, 1912, of Prof. Clement A. Marks, Mus.D., who had been its secretary from the beginning. Dr. Marks was a musician of high ideals and many fine qualifications. As director of the Allentown Oratorio Society, as lecturer in Muhlenberg College, and as a teacher, he contributed a very large share to the musical development of the territory on which he labored, and left an impress that will make itself felt for years to come. As a church musician he belonged to the comparatively small number of organists and choirmasters among us who make a diligent study of church music and the various phases through which it has passed, and who have an intelligent understanding of the requirements of the Lutheran service. Not only the congregation which he served, but also the members of your Committee can testify how by all he did and said and wrote he endeavored to prevent the secularization of our church music, and to preserve it on a plane befitting the house and worship of God. The entire Church may well mourn the passing of one so useful just at a time when our music is beginning to receive increasing attention. May many others be found to emulate his example; and may the time speedily come when scores and hundreds of our organists will have the same thirst after knowledge, the same high ideals, the same devotion to duty, and the same reverence for holy things that characterized our dear departed friend and brother.

Mr. William Benbow, now organist and choirmaster of Holy Trinity Church, Buffalo, succeeded Dr. Marks as secretary and treasurer of the Committee.

Soon after its appointment the present Committee convened in Bethlehem in connection with the 1912 meeting of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, and elaborated a plan for a series of convocations at favorable points throughout the synods of the General Council. The plan as outlined embraced the following features: 1, a meeting of but one day at each place instead of two as heretofore; 2, only a small number of papers, and these practically illustrated as far as possible; 3, repetition of substantially the same program at each Convocation.

The first, and unfortunately, the only Convocation that the Committee could under this plan so far arrange for, was held in Trinity Church, Reading, Pa., November 19, 1912, and proved highly successful both in point of attendance and of interest. A very suggestive paper on "The Development of Our Church Music—A Study of Principles and Forms," by Prof. Luther D. Reed, was the feature of the morning session, and led to a stimulating discussion. At the afternoon session the chairman of the Committee presented a paper on "The Music of the Congregational Hymn," practically illustrated by the organist and choir with examples

of melodies derived from pre-Reformation plain song sources, the sacred folk song, and the secular folk song; together with original German choral melodies, and representative tunes from the several periods of English hymnody. A brief paper on "The Relation of Pastor and Organist," by the Rev. Henry K. Lantz, and the interesting discussion which followed, closed the afternoon session.

The evening session was devoted entirely to choir music, sung by the well-trained chorus choir of the church, Mr. William Benbow, organist and director, with explanatory remarks preceding each number by the Rev. Gomer C. Rees. The first part of the program included an organ prelude on "Ein' feste Burg," by Max Reger, and Bach's cantata on "Wachet auf! ruft uns die Stimme." Part second comprised compositions by Palestrina, Eccard, Michael Praetorius, Joh. Mich. Haydn, Thomas Tallis, Sir John Goss, Sir Arthur S. Sullivan, and Horatio W. Parker. The rendering of the entire program was most admirable and reflected the highest credit on Mr. Benbow and his choir, while the remarks of the Rev. Mr. Rees contributed not a little to an intelligent appreciation of the several numbers.

A Convocation along substantially the same lines was to be held in the First Church, Pittsburgh. The date had already been fixed, the program of choir music selected, and much of the printing done, when the illness of Prof. Reed necessitated a postponement. Before his recovery, the First Church suffered the loss of its pastor; and this with other untoward circumstances made the holding of a Convocation at this place for the time being altogether impracticable. The Committee, however, hopes to be able in the near future to arrange for meetings at a number of places where conditions are believed to be favorable.

Attention is called to the fact that such a series of Convocations will involve expenses for traveling, printing, postage, etc., for the payment of which some provision should be made.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Rehrig presented the Report of the Committee on Abstracts. (See Second Session.)

In the absence of the chairman, the Rev. Dr. G. W. Sandt, the Rev. Dr. Ohl presented the

REPORT OF THE INNER MISSION COMMITTEE

During the past biennium there has been abundant evidence of increased interest and activity along Inner Mission lines which is cause for great rejoicing. As proof of this, the four reports that follow this introduction, as prepared by members of the four branches of the Inner Mission Committee, are here offered and will be found full of interest. There can be little doubt that much has been done to awaken the Church to a fuller realization of its opportunity and responsibility along these lines by the extensive circulation of Dr. Ohl's book on "The Inner Mission,"

which is now in its second edition. Add to this the increased frequency with which Inner Mission subjects are being discussed at pastoral associations, at conventions and institutes, and at conference and Synodical meetings, and the conclusion can safely be drawn, that the mind of the Church is being focussed on this theme as never before in the history of the General Council.

The Inner Mission Spirit and Leaven in the Congregation.—Special emphisis was placed on this phase of the work by your committee because of its fundamental importance. A program was prepared by a sub-committee, outlining in substance what should form the basis of discussion on this theme at Inner Mission institutes, many of which, it was hoped, would be held. These programs were sent to members of the various branches of the committee with the request that they seek to promote the holding of institutes and have the programs presented for adoption. It seemed difficult to secure the proper response, and as a substitute the substance of the matter in the programs was condensed into theses and offered to the presidents of the Synods with the request that they present them for discussion at Synod. Six presidents consented to do so, and nearly 1,000 of the printed theses were sent to them for distribution. Only a small beginning in urging this phase of the Inner Mission upon the thought of the Church has been made, but its importance warrants increased and continuous effort.

The Institutional Church.—An attempt to realize in some specific way this bringing of the Inner Mission spirit and leaven into the life and activities of the congregation has been made at Kittanning, Pa., as the report of the Pittsburgh Branch further on will show. The institutional church has probably come to stay, particularly in the down-town sections of the larger cities where there seems to be a special call for it; but whether it can or should be made the pattern for the average congregation to copy after, the committee is aware, will be seriously questioned by many. Whether it will not tend to overshadow the ordinary redemptive ministrations—the preaching and teaching of the Word and the administration of the Sacraments—will be open to question in many quarters. No attempt should be made to decide this matter off-hand; every effort should be made to become acquainted with the methods pursued and the results achieved as tested through a series of years. Complex and highly articulated methods which few pastors can qualify themselves to adopt and practice would work ultimate harm, and hence a careful and thorough study of the subject should be made before a conclusion is reached. Such study the committee recommends.

The Training of Evangelists.—As the Inner Mission has two distinct functions that should be made to supplement each other—the evangelistic and the diaconal, the question has arisen whether in the Lutheran Church in America enough emphasis has been placed on evangelism, in its best Lutheran sense. Is the Lutheran Church doing what it should to develop a type of evangelists who know how to preach to the denizens of the slum and other sections of the city? Such preaching is an art, and the art

should be acquired. The only pulpit which neglected millions will respect is the pulpit along the crowded thoroughfare or in the dingy and odoriferous hall. Shall this work be left to the Salvation Armyist or coarse-grained and irreverent evangelists? There were evangelists in the Apostolic times; may we not have the same type now?

Some work in this direction is being done by the city missionaries, though it has thus far been chiefly limited to institutions such as reformatories and the like. In Chicago, Pastor Tengwald has proved himself to be a master in this field. Students from the Chicago Seminary have accompanied him in his preaching and pastoral visits with great benefit to themselves. Here is another fruitful field for thought and study which the committee recommends the Church to take into consideration.

The Training of Lay Helpers.—Except in a small way, nothing has yet been done to supply this great and crying need in America. Here is where the Inner Mission is lame. We may talk Inner Missions for centuries, but what we need is workers—*lay workers.* We are robbing our pastorates of ministers and compelling them to do the work which laymen ought to do. If the work is not to deteriorate and take on objectionable and capricious forms, we must have trained workers. It is a mistake even to send men into this work fresh from the seminaries, before they have been pastors and know what seel-sorge means. If they need special preliminary training, surely lay helpers need it. We can not keep pure and intact our Inner Mission conception of the work until we have trained a race of men and women who know how to graft such work upon correct evangelical principles. The first call is for men who themselves have built so wisely and strongly as to know how to train others. Lately pastors in at least two cities have expressed a purpose to combine and seek to meet the Inner Mission needs of their congregations with a view to training helpers as they have need. A beginning such as they contemplate might do much to discover latent material for a practical school in which the necessary lay helpers can be trained. Given the workers, and the schools will readily follow. Here again is a fruitful field for thought and study which your committee recommends the Church to take into consideration.

The Inner Mission and Social Service.—Not a few instances have arisen which indicate that many of our pastors and people are being impregnated with sociological and social service ideas and have hazy views as to the Inner Mission itself. The flood of sociological and humanitarian literature that is pouring in upon us; the pernicious teaching which issues from chairs in colleges, seminaries and universities occupied by well-paid professors who look at Christianity through the glasses of a purely altruistic and Christless philosophy; the new passion for social service which makes Christianity synonymous with humanitarianism, and whch, notwithstanding some praiseworthy features, totally misconceives the work and mission of the Church; these and other influences and tendencies of our times make it imperative that much educating be done in the Lutheran Church to give our pastors and people a clear conception of the beauty, simplicity and efficiency of that wonderful ministry of love that has done so much for

our Church at home and abroad. Our students at college and seminary need to be impregnated with the Inner Mission idea and spirit as never before. Your committee would most urgently request all the colleges and seminaries of the General Council to give this subject the attention it deserves.

Vacancies:—A number of vacancies have occurred because of the removal of members of the committee from the territory where two yeears ago they were located. Several of them were temporarily filled, Revs. Dr. Buermeyer and F. Evers, of New York City, having been chosen in the place of Revs. Clausen and Doering. The General Council will doubtless reconstruct the committee with these vacancies and new appointees kept in mind.

THESES FOR DISCUSSION AT CONFERENCE AND SYNOD

The following theses embody substantially what is contained in a program prepared by a sub-committee of the Inner Mission Committee of the General Council for use at Inner Mission institutes, to be held by pastors in the various sections of the Church. It is hoped they will commend themselves to the Synods and Conferences within the General Council, and that arrangements will be made for their discussion. The committee is endeavoring to interest the Church in Inner Missions, as it applies to the work and mission of the local congregation, which is the real source from which the larger activities of the Church must derive their inspiration and power.

1. The so-called Inner Mission is a spirit and a life before it is any specific form of Christian activity. The seat of that spirit and life is the renewed and sanctified heart of the Christian who has found a joy in service and who, like his Lord and Master, goes about doing good.

2. This spirit and life is but another name for the love of Christ which constrains the Christian to minister to the needs of those who have drifted away from the Church, or are in danger of drifting, in order that they may be reclaimed and brought under the influence of the means of grace.

3. This constraining love of Christ must find a field for its nurture and exercise in the bounds of the parish before it can in any large way become a potent factor in reclaiming the barren wastes of the city and the country,—that is, inner mission activity should be congregational primarily and institutional secondarily.

4. If inner mission activity is to be fostered and developed in a healthful manner in the congregation, there is need of trained workers (deacons, deaconesses and lay helpers) capable of inspiring church members with a love for service and, with the aid and under the guidance of the pastor, of directing their energies into safe and useful channels. Competent leadership is as imperative here as in any department of the Church's activities; for in this way only can the existing organizations of the congregation become truly fruitful in good works.

5. In the sphere of Christian service and mercy, every congregation has a twofold duty and responsibility in the community where it labors; one is toward its own membership—the poor, the neglected, the indifferent, the lapsed, and the fallen—the other is toward the needy, the estranged, and the spiritually destitute who are without. It is called of God to be an inner mission agency, whether it cares for the name or not.

6. The existing congregational agencies—church council, Sunday-school, mission societies, aids, and guilds—are the proper channels through which the Church's loving and merciful ministrations should be made to flow. When they have once been inspired with a new sense of duty and responsibility and trained to work with more Christlike tools and methods, the congregation will become a real spiritual leaven and transforming power in the community where it is called of God to "let its light shine that others may see its good works and glorify the Father who is in heaven."

7. The Church's answer to the taunts of the world that she is more concerned to help and save herself than to help and save others must be something more definitely Christlike than humanitarian works of love, which minister to the body but forget the needs of the soul, or more distinctively spiritual and redemptive than social service, which seeks to emancipate men from the hard conditions of this life but has little to say about the new freedom that is in Christ Jesus. She must minister to the body in such a way as to win the soul for Christ. To fulfill her God-given mission, she must supplement her teaching and preaching with loving, Christlike ministration.

I. Report of the New York and New England Branch

PREPARED BY THE REV. F. F. BUERMEYER, D.D.

The field of Inner Mission work in and about Greater New York, is a vast one, the world presenting none larger or more imperative in its demands. Considering its great extent and varied claims upon the Lutheran Church, very little has been attempted or accomplished by us. Those who are at all acquainted with the efforts made are all one in the conviction that only a beginning has been attempted to cope with the overmastering needs of this wonderful metropolis. Let them take heart in the fact that a beginning has been made, and rejoice also in the increased and ever-increasing interest in it that is plainly evident. Though the waters of Christian charity and beneficence seem to flow only here and there, and very softly, yet there are spots, though not as many as there ought to be, where they are seen and heard and felt as a living current of the water of life proceeding from the throne of God, which as it flows brings signs of promise telling of better and more abundant things further and later on. The work done embraces every kind of Christian labor, such as is done elsewhere in the world by the Church of Christ, and such as is called for by the peculiar character and needs of this particular community. One peculiar feature of Lutheran Church work in New York City is that it has been marked by unity of action among its people made up of various synods to a degree unknown else-

where. There are no institutions established by an individual synod or corporation of a particular type of Lutheranism, yet all classes of Lutherans have aided in their support. There are associations whose membership is made up of persons representing in their individual characters and preferences the divergent schools and ecclesiastical organizations of our Lutheran Zion in these parts. This state of affairs has been the result of circumstances: historical, national, spiritual reasons underlying what looks very like the providential guidance of God. It is the opinion of many, and of those who but know the history of the people concerned, and the gradual and natural development of their religious life, that the future trend of all efficient activity and success will continue to be along this line of cooperation. This fact is hopeful for those who pray and strive for a united Lutheran Church in Greater New York, though they are very well aware of its difficulties and dangers, and of the long time that must elapse before such a desirable consummation may be attained. It is an ideal well worth praying for and striving after, with all their heart and soul.

With the exception of the Missouri Synod Lutheran and the Scandinavian Lutheran institutions, not one large or successful or well-known Lutheran institution in or about New York has been carried on solely by members of one particular synod or general body, though it may be under the control of one or other of them. The Emigrant House, and the Wartburg Farm School, are evidences of the spirit of cooperation in this field. The Inner Mission Society of New York City is under the government and authority of no synod, but its board of officers as well as membership is made up of Lutherans of various nationalities and synods, and all its operations are influenced and furthered by this cooperation in good works. And Inner Mission work in Greater New York cannot be understood or appreciated unless looked at from this point of view. It is due the truth to state here, that, even where the Missouri Lutheran churches as such, keep aloof from this work of cooperation, many individual members contribute freely to the support of the general work, just as others also who are not in sympathy with the Missouri Synod, do what they can to help its home and hospital and orphanage.

THE WARTBURG ORPHAN FARM SCHOOL

Perhaps the work peculiarly dear to the Lutherans of the metropolis for many years, and the centre of interest from a purely charitable point of view, second to no other, and probably among the chiefest to them for all time to come, is that which is represented by the Wartburg Orphan Farm School, at Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Its history has been one of wonderful growth and prosperity, and it is a monument of human faith, love, patience, and labor crowned by God's unfailing favor and blessing. It seeks its peer in vain in this country, and in its history and development approaches the many-branched colony of the unique von Bodelschwingh institutions in Germany closer than any other we know of. It is certainly not necessary to describe it here, for it is so well known all

over our Church. Under the thoroughly tested and proved management of Rev. Dr. G. C. Berkemeier, and his equally devoted and efficient helpmeet and wife, Mrs. G. C. Berkemeier, and their efficient and faithful band of assistants, this institution continues to be a rich fountain of blessing to our Church in this community and an honor to our faith. Whatever the faults and omissions of our household of faith, the Wartburg has been, and will continue to be, a cause for humble gratitude and future hopefulness and effort.

THE ORPHANS' HOME OR THE CHILDREN'S FRIEND

A more recent work in behalf of the orphaned is the Home established at Jersey City by Lutheran churches in that city in connection with the New York Ministerium. The outcome of a gathering of a few Lutheran clergymen and their wives, and with a little fund of a few dollars, it has grown into an institution that shelters 39 children. It rejoices in the beautiful name, the Orphans' Home or the Children's Friend. This comparatively new establishment has been instrumental in winning the hearts of many Lutherans who were not connected very closely or at all with Christian work, and who, but for their interest in it, would have stood idle; and they have now found work in which they are successful, very zealous, and most happy. The Home is under the fostering care of Rev. H. Beiderbecke, Sr., who is the House Father. The establishing of this institution is an evidence of growth in practical religion, for which we ought to be grateful.

THE INNER MISSION SOCIETY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

There are two Inner Mission societies in New York City. One of these is called the Society of Inner Mission and Rescue Work, under the presidency of Rev. V. A. M. Mortensen, who is also its chaplain and chief agent. Its board of directors are Lutheran, but it is not in connection with any Lutheran ecclesiastical body, though it is largely supported by General Synod Lutherans.

The other Inner Mission Society is that called the Inner Mission Society of the City of New York, which is made up of Lutherans of all Synods, and is officially connected with none. Its President is Rev. Wm. M. Horn, and its City Missionary, Rev. F. F. Buermeyer, D.D. There is no function of Christian service to the unfortunate, needy and sinful that has not been called for. The field is a very widely extended one, reaching from Sing Sing Prison on the north to Monmouth Beach, N. J., on the south; from Norwalk, Conn., on the east to Pennsylvania on the west. The bulk of the work consists in the visitation of the public institution on Blackwell's Island, Bellevue Hospital, the various almshouses, the general institutions of New York, the tenement districts, and the various hospitals of the Greater City. The special work has been that in behalf of prisoners and discharged convicts and such as have been paroled. Nearly 4,000 calls have been made during the past year by the missionary, who has had no helpers in his efforts.

It is due here to make mention of the labors of a pastor of the New York Synod, who has a congregation in Jersey City, who is also Protestant Chaplain of the Hudson County, N. J., jail at Jersey City. Besides holding services every Sunday afternoon at the jail, he has regular hours for consultation with the unfortunates to whom he ministers, and who without regard to religious connections, color or tongue, look upon him as a real friend in need. It is a matter of real satisfaction to be able to state that the Lutheran missionaries, without exception, are noted for their freedom from religious, racial, and lingual prejudices, and for their readiness to help *all* classes of the destitute and friendless.

SOCIETY FOR AID TO INDIGENT GERMANS

In this connection it is proper and pertinent to refer to the earnest and acceptable labors of Rev. H. von Hollen, a member of the New York Ministerium, and pastor of one of its congregations, who is also the chaplain and missionary of the Society for the Aid of Indigent Germans in New York City. His ministrations include the German poor in the hospitals and almshouses, especially those found on Blackwell's Island.

THE HOSPICE FOR YOUNG MEN

Though all of the Emigrant Houses established in New York City might be called hospices, there is but one institution which is purely and simply a hospice, and that is situated on the corner of Fifth Avenue and 126th street, and it is only for young men. It is under the care of the Inner Mission Society of the City of New York, with Mr. Paul Holter as its capable, indefatigable, and efficient director. Here a safe, comfortable, refined home is provided for the young men of our Communion who are or may be sheltered there, who might otherwise be without home-like surroundings and Christian influence. At reasonable rates, which are often adapted to the means of the young men, home comfort and fare is supplied to the inmates, and fraternal sympathy and necessary assistance in every way possible are extended to them. This good work meets a long-felt want and is another indication of the awakening life in the Lutheran Church of the large cities.

SEAMEN'S HOUSE

There is no work that finds a deeper appreciation in the hearts of those for whom it is done than that in behalf of seamen, and which is done in the Seamen's House at Hoboken, N. J., under the care of Pastor H. Brueckner, which also enjoys the favor of the Imperial German Consul-General, Dr. Falecke.

But a very little reflection is required to convince one of the fact that the field opened to our Church is an immense one. Into the port of New York come vessels of every nation, which are manned by men of every tongue. As the North Germans and Scandinavians form a very large part of the body of sea-faring men, and these as a rule are Lutherans, it will be seen what claims they have upon us as fellow-Christians

of the Lutheran household of faith. No class of men are as exposed to the temptations and dangers of a large seaport as New York, and they have formed a large proportion of the booty that has fallen into the hands of human harpies, both male and female. The best proof of the need of a Seaman's Home is the eloquent fact that during a year 40,000 men have been at the Seaman's Home at Hoboken, and 10,000 meals have been supplied. Pastor Brueckner and his aids have rendered most valuable assistance in almost every way that assistance could be given to human beings, in a spirit of genuine Christian charity, and it is a distinctive, marked feature of the services performed that humanitarianism in the highest, best sense of the word has been exercised, but always animated and sustained by the spirit of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, who came to save men from sin, the root of all evil and ruin. The Seaman's Home has been not only a place of refuge and safety but a *home* where the love of Christ both rules and serves.

There is much local charitable activity being done by the Lutheran churches of New York City, as well as a great deal of good expended by individual Lutherans as such, which it is impossible to particularize and specify, but only the regularly established associations and institutions have been enumerated. The review of what is being done is encouraging, and shows that our beloved church has awakened to some conception of what ought to be attempted by her. May she be inspired by the Spirit of God to a deeper and more thorough interest, to a more ardent striving for better and greater things in whole-heartedness of devotion to the Lord Jesus Christ and His needy brethren.

II.—Report of the Eastern Pennsylvania Branch

PREPARED BY THE REV. E. F. BACHMANN

The Problem.—"We have no such conditions here," remarked an intelligent church member to a representative of Inner Mission work, who had just attempted to arouse a certain Lutheran congregation in one of the most important mining towns of the anthracite region in Pennsylvania, to a realization of the Church's problem in seeking the lost. "Pardon me," he replied, "would it not be more correct to say, that you have not *observed* such conditions hree?" The principal of a local school joined in the conversation and mentioned the fact, that directly back of his school there is a family which in its essential features may well serve as a type of many others who still could be "discovered." The mother, a Pennsylvania-German, who married a Slovac, has practically no control whatever over her large family of children, the oldest of whom, a boy of twelve, is an habitual truant. Said principal, a Christian man of good judgment and broad sympathies, undertook to investigate the real cause of the boy's tendency and went to call on the mother; but as she invited him to step in, he was repelled by such an offensive odor and such an accumulation of filth, and undoubtedly also of vermin, that he did not enter. At his

request the health officer called with the district nurse, yet neither of them could muster sufficient courage to venture into the house, and the nurse gave the children as thorough a cleansing as possible in the yard. Similar cases are found elsewhere, and among them are people, who abroad or even in this country, were baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church. The problem is, to bring exact conditions to the knowledge of our people. They have eyes that see not and ears that hear not; they have broad human sympathy, and feel not, for they know not.

Our Duty.—Christ has commissioned His Church to preach the Gospel to every creature. God be praised for the missionary zeal that sends the messengers of salvation to the most distant heathen lands! But how can we justify the neglect of the Christless multitudes within the shadow of our churches? If you blame these for having fallen from grace, you credit yourself with superior virtue for having remained in the Church. Is that Scriptural? Do you really know the circumstances that lead, yes, almost force others on the downward path? Dare you judge them? Is it not our plain duty to go out on the highways and byways and "compel them to come in"? But as long as they live under conditions as described above, the Gospel message finds their ears deaf, their souls unresponsive, their minds prejudiced. Such fathers and mothers would not think of going to church, and if they did, would they be welcomed by the members to share the cushioned pew? We cannot blame one nor the other; we sympathize with both. The deep gap separating both must be bridged over, or, better yet, filled in. Every Christian worthy of the name, must be ready to do his share at any cost. In the St. Petersburg palace of the Czar there is a large painting representing a battle-scene from the war with Napoleon a hundred years ago. The Russian artillery has been ordered to advance. Impossible! A deep gully checks it. Forward! the command comes once more. Infantrymen are at hand, they realize the importance, and voluntarily they rush into the gully, fill it to the level with their bodies and the artillery gallops forward at an awful sacrifice of human lives. What of you and me, if but the kingdom of our Lord advance! Our plain duty is to preach the Gospel to *every* creature and to remove the obstacles at any cost. The army of the Lord must move forward to save human lives for time and for eternity.

At Work.—The following statement is a summary of what is being done within the bounds of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania along these lines, and embraced in the term "Inner Mission."

I. ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY THE CHURCH

The Aged and the Orphans

Since the days of the Apostles the Church has recognized her peculiar obligations toward widows and orphans. Quite naturally, therefore, the first charitable work undertaken officially by the Pennsylvania Ministerium is the *Home for the Aged and Orphans at Germantown,* founded in 1859. Here 196 children find a home,

besides the 57 aged Lutheran men and women, most of whom would otherwise be homeless and probably even friendless. The *Orphans' Home at Topton, Pa.,* though dating back only to 1896, has 122 children. If these 318 children, most of them coming from families of our congregations, had no such home and Christian training, would they be as happy? Would they become good Christians, good citizens? We are glad to note that both Homes are most excellently managed, and that the one at Germantown has purchased an important adjoining property at a cost of $20,000 to provide also for orphaned infants.

The Scattered and the Lost

The endangered, strayed and lost have not been forgotten by the Pennsylvania Ministerium. For years it has carried on its *Philadelphia City Mission* under the direction of the untiring and able Superintendent, the Rev. Dr. J. F. Ohl. During the last Synodical year services were held in 21 different institutions, and visits made at 18 hospitals, eight Homes for the Aged, at the U. S. Marine Barracks, and at the Eastern State Penitentiary and Moyamensing Prison. The average number of such services per month was 38, of visits over 400. While many turn a deaf ear to the Gospel message, others hear it gladly and some of the Lutherans, even in the Penitentiary, commune regularly. Pastor Minnich, one of the regular assistants of Dr. Ohl, had the great joy of baptizing a young Japanese convert and of confirming a young American in this prison. Besides students from the Theological Seminary, eight pastors have helped to conduct services, as their other duties permitted, and choirs and other members of several congregations have assisted at various services and in visiting. One feature, especially important is the looking up of members just come to Philadelphia, for if the Church will not be on hand to greet her own members in their new surroundings, surely the world will and will entice particularly the young men and women into the paths of pleasures that lead to eternal, and even temporal ruin. Of course this phase of City Mission work depends above all on the cooperation of the pastors of the local congregations, whence these people come.

Though the work of the Philadelphia City Mission consists chiefly in the preaching of the Word and in pastoral visitation, and its purely benevolent side, for lack of means, has not been largely developed, nevertheless much helpful service is rendered by it, not so much in what is *given* people as in what is *done* for them. Close relations are maintained with many of the city's charitable institutions and organizations, and through these help is often rendered where help is needed. Thus through the City Mission's instrumentality places are often found for the young, the aged, and the sick; convalescents are sent where they can recuperate; the poor have their most pressing needs relieved; and the fallen have an uplifting hand extended to them. A very large measure of work is done among prisoners and paroled and discharged convicts.

The Immigrants

"I was a stranger, and ye took me in," must also be extended to our brethren in the faith coming from across the sea. Though the number of Lutheran immigrants is not as large as at New York and especially as in former years, still during 1911, 1,700 Lutherans arrived at the port of Philadelphia, 3,000 in 1912, and during the first four months of 1913, twice as many as during the corresponding period of the previous year. The Rev. Erich Saul of Gloucester, N. J., where the new immigrant station has been built by the Government, is assigned to this special field and in 1912 rendered assistance to 250 cases who were in distress for various reasons; 58 had to be assisted with money, for 38 homes and employment were found; eight were saved from deportation by the personal intercession of the missionary with the Commissioner; 38 were visited in hospitals; 14 were married, two children baptized, and four were given a Christian burial. About 1,200 religious periodicals were distributed among them and 250 persons were directed to pastors of the General Council during 1912. It is almost impossible for persons without similar experience to appreciate fully the value of a hearty greeting by a member of the same household of faith, on reaching the shores of this country known to be so full of possibilities of greatest success and of most miserable failure. Here as in most other fields of the Inner Mission, we render a most important service to the State while directly serving the Lord.

The Seamen

Connected with this work is the Lutheran *Seamen's Mission.* At the request of the former seamen's pastor, the Rev. Ch. E. Metzenthin, this phase of the work was separated from the Immigrant Mission, even as it is in other large ports; but on his withdrawal from the work, both were re-united for Philadelphia by action of the Synod's Committee on September 16th, 1912. Since October 1, 1912, the Rev. Erich Saul is also the seamen's pastor, visiting not merely the crews of the German passenger liners, but also those of other German vessels, distributing good reading matter, conducting services, inviting the men going ashore to visit the Seamen's Home, where a reading-room, sitting-room and, when necessity arises, also room and board offer excellent advantages to offset the temptations intentionally cast around seamen on shore by unscrupulous and often immoral individuals. This Home is the property of "The Philadelphia Association for the Care of German Seamen," a corporation organized to cooperate with the Seamen's Mission of the Pennsylvania Ministerium. A Diakon (Deacon) with his wife, having arrived from Germany in July, is directly in charge of this Home. He relieves the Seamen's pastor of certain duties, and the Ministerium pays his salary.

2. ORGANIZATIONS CONNECTED WITH THE CHURCH BUT NOT CONTROLLED BY IT

Connected with the Lutheran Church by the provision of the charter that every member of the Board of Trustees or Board of Managers, must

be a member of the General Council of the Lutheran Church, yet not directly controlled by the Council, the Synod, or the Conference, are several corporations doing excellent work along Inner Mission lines.

Deaconess Work

The only one reporting regularly to the Ministerium is the *Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses,* which dedicated its beautiful and spacious building just 25 years ago. Here young women of the Church, desiring to devote themselves to the service of the Lord receive the special training of the deaconess for service at one of the three hospitals in charge of Lutheran deaconesses at Philadelphia and at Easton, Pa., where 5,676 patients were nursed during 1912, besides the 12,493 who called for treatment at the dispensaries; or at one of the Homes for the Aged in Philadelphia, Mars, Pa., and Erie, Pa., where exactly 100 aged men and women are awaiting the summons of the Lord. At Mars is also an orphanage with 36 children under the care of our deaconesses. The Lankenau School for Girls with its 12-year course parallel to that of the Public Grammar and High Schools, is considered one of the most important branches of deaconess-work, serving those members of the Church who are able and willing to give their daughters a thoroughly Christian education. In the Kindergarten, the deaconesses reach a different class of people and find frequent opportunity for typical Inner Mission work; here also more than a score of young women have been trained as teachers of the Christian Kindergarten. Then there is the Settlement and the Kensington Dispensary for the Treatment of Tuberculosis, where the presence of the deaconess suffices to indicate that these agencies are Christian in spirit and purpose, and not merely social or humanitarian. Finally, the parish-deaconess must be mentioned as found in three congregations in Philadelphia and in one each in New York City and in Easton, Pa. Their labors among all classes of people are acknowledged to be a blessing by pastors and people. Though the Sisterhood has increased from the seven deaconesses who responded to the plea of the German Hospital and came to Philadelphia in 1884 to 82 in 1913, yet the demand for Sisters for institutions and congregations is far in excess of this number. Here is the golden opportunity for truly consecrated young women to make their lives count for the kingdom of the Lord. This ministry of Mercy is to them what the ministry of the Gospel is to their brothers. Deaconesses are trained, also dependable Inner Mission workers.

THE WORK OF THE INNER MISSION SOCIETY

The Hospice

Another mighty Inner Mission force of a very different type, such as should be duplicated in every city, is the *Inner Mission Society,* organized in Philadelphia on May 9, 1902, by members of the Pennsylvania Ministerium. The first undertaking of this society was a preventive measure, the opening of the Luther Hospice at 20th and Race streets, on September

14, 1905, where young men might find a Christian home instead of the ordinary boarding-house with its many dangers. This work has been so successful, that the building rented at first, has been purchased together with the adjoining house, so that now 60 men can be accommodated with rooms, while 20 more take their meals at the hospice. This property is valued at $75,000. A hospice for girls is greatly needed and should be an early possibility.

The Settlement

Shortly after opening the Hospice, the Inner Mission Society began its *Settlement,* at first on Callowhill, near Fourth street, but since 1910 removed to a section with a larger percentage of Lutherans, most of whom have drifted away from the Church and from uplifting influences. The Lutheran Settlement, now at 1333 Frankford avenue, has become the center of a new religious and moral atmosphere for the entire neighborhood, appreciated by parents and children alike. More than 200 boys and girls gladly consider this place their headquarters, where they also attend evening classes in which instruction and play are duly recognized. About 20 volunteers assist the four resident workers. A Kindergarten with an enrollment of 75, and Vacation Bible School with almost 200 boys and girls of school-age, add materially to the blessings of the Settlement. Cooperation with the Country-Week Association makes it possible to give the children from this congested district an outing of two weeks that helps them to appreciate the truth, that "God made the country, but man built the city." Even the police testify to the change for the better since the Settlement is located in this district.

The Inner Mission Society has about 600 members, has placed each of the above two branches of its work in charge of a regular pastor, and owns property valued at $80,000, on which, however, there still rests an indebtedness of $23,000. This success is probably in no small measure due to the fact, that the Society is organized strictly along Synodical lines, assuring thereby definiteness of aim and freedom of action.

Helping Consumptives

Another corporation whose Board of Managers is limited to members of the Lutheran Church is the *Kensington Dispensary* for the Treatment of Tuberculosis, in the mill-district of Kensington, where the ravages of "the white man's plague" are especially severe. The impulse for this movement came from the parish-deaconess of St. Michael's German Lutheran Church, energetically supported by the pastor, who in 1905 began this movement before the State Board of Health had made any provisions for such sufferers. Other pastors and friends were interested, an organization was effected with a Board of Managers of women, and an Advisory Board of men. A house was rented until it proved too small; then a suitable property on the corner of Susquehanna avenue and Hancock street, opposite a public park, was purchased; in 1910 a hundred-acre farm on the Schuylkill river, "River Crest," near Phoenixville, was bought to serve ultimately the purpose of a Sanitarium; 14 different Ladies' Auxil-

iaries have been organized in as many congregations, and fully 200 patients are constantly under treatment by various specialists and provided with the necessities for their relief and for the limitation of their danger to others. The value of both properties is estimated at $35,000.

Spreading Lutheran Literature

The *Lutheran Church Book and Literature Society* renders a most valuable service to the Church by furnishing needy missions with the Church Book and with Sunday-school books in English or in German, free of charge, and by publishing leaflets in the interests of a living and active Christian faith.

3. INDEPENDENT ENTERPRISES WITHIN THE CHURCH

It seems quite impossible for the Church in her official and semi-official capacity to cover the entire field of human misery with her ministrations of mercy. There will always be room for private enterprises as well as for strictly private Christian charity. Among those private enterprises within the Church and recognized by the Church as worthy of general support, ranks foremost the work among destitute children.

The Care of Destitute Children

There is the *Good Shepherd Home* at Allentown, founded and conducted by the Rev. John H. Raker, to receive such orphans for which the usual Orphans' Home cannot well make provision, viz., the defective, the blind, the crippled, and the infant. Forty-one such children, most of them utterly helpless, are at this Home, surely a greatly needed and worthy charity. But also seven aged and infirm people are cared for. This work is constantly growing and the income and force of workers must keep pace.

TABOR HOME

Another institution is the *Tabor Home* founded by Rev. Philip Lamartine of Philadelphia, in 1905 and conducted at Olney until removed in June 1913 to the beautiful 100-acre farm near Doylestown, Pa., purchased at a cost of $28,000. The plight of widowed men, left alone with a group of small children, or of women, deserted by their husbands, touched the heart of Rev. Lamartine and led him to act. If possible, the parent pays a very moderate sum per week toward the maintenance of his children, and the rest has been contributed chiefly by members of Tabor Lutheran congregation, of which Rev. Lamartine is the pastor. The majority of the Board of Managers must be Lutherans. At this writing the Tabor Home cares for 45 children.

For Homeless Men

The active interest which a most charitable Lutheran woman took in homeless men led to the founding of the *Samaritan Shelter* in Philadelphia by the late Rev. F. Wischan. For a limited number of nights, men who are homeless and penniless are given a bed, preceded by a bath, and a

breakfast of rolls and coffee. From 13,000 to 14,000 lodgings are granted from fall to spring; during the summer the shelter is closed. Evening and morning worship are conducted by the excellent housefather, a Lutheran layman, and thus the spiritual and material welfare of these destitute men is sought in true Inner Mission spirit.

Still Needed

In conclusion we would point to the fact, that much Inner Mission work is done by many of our congregations, especially in connection with the Italian Mission of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Philadelphia. But much more remains to be done. There is an imperative call for a Hospice for Lutheran young women; for a transient home for girls just arriving in this city looking for positions, and for house-maids just out of employment, who duing this interval of homelessness are in peculiar dangers. Yet not merely concerted effort is the aim of the Inner Mission, but even primarily the enlistment of individual Christians for personal service. The greatest of all needs is the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all members of the Church of Christ, that in newness of life they many prove themselves indeed the light of the world and the salt of the earth. And from the mass of such living Christians responses will come to the Lord's call for laborers in special fields. Will you lay this report aside with the question of Cain: "Am I my brother's keeper?" Or with Isaiah's prayer: "Here am I, Lord, send me!"?

III.—Report of the Pittsburgh Branch

PREPARED BY THE REV. F. C. OBERLY

The inner mission activities that have sprung up on the territory of the Pittsburgh Synod bulk large in the aggregate of the works of mercy conducted within the bounds of the General Council. Their rapid multiplication and their thriving condition are indeed remarkable; yet to those acquainted with the inner development of the Snyod, their growth seems somewhat natural.

Almost simultaneously with the organization of the Synod its members were drawn under the stimulating influence and the wise and large-hearted guidance of *"The Missionary,"* which Dr. Passavant began to publish at Pittsburgh in 1848. In the prospectus of the aims and purposes of this church paper its editor placed the subject of inner missions first in order among the varied interests of his new publication. He also added a long paragraph in explanation of the work denoted by the rather unusual term he was introducing to his readers.

THE BEGINNING OF INNER MISSION WORK

Back of the institutions of mercy that were founded was *"The Missionary"* with its increasing circle of appreciative readers and friends. Back of *"The Missionary"* was the magical spirit of its editor, Dr. Passavant, who was exhibiting by his weekly news the developing resources of the Church and was also reaching his readers with effective pleas for enlarged support of practical inner mission undertakings. And back of the editor

and pioneer of inner mission operations were the ineffaceable impressions he had received and the sacred purposes he had conceived during a journey abroad in 1846.

Whilst walking one day on the streets of London Dr. Passavant was overtaken by a sudden shower and found shelter in a Jewish Orphan Asylum erected by a venerable Israelite to commemorate the virtues of his deceased wife, Abigail Lyon. He read,—"Within the orphan shall find compassion." The sacredness of affection embalmed in loving care for the fatherless and the precious name of mother connected with such a memorial stirred his soul as never before; and then was born "a holy purpose to begin some humble service for Christ in the person of His suffering ones."

At once the work was begun. "By walking to his lodging a shilling was saved; added thereto were the savings of the months abroad until he had a purse of gold. The purpose had been conceived to establish a little hospital with beds for a few sick people and possibly a home for the fatherless."

The better to further his new purpose, Mr. Passavant visited hospitals, infirmaries, and orphanages in different cities of Europe. Especially was he attracted to Kaiserswerth, the birthplace of the Protestant deaconess work, at that time but ten years old. Here he passed a goodly time with Pastor Fliedner, and arranged for the training of several sisters for work in America.

THE PASSAVANT HOSPITAL, PITTSBURGH

In furtherance of his merciful purpose he opened a hospital in Pittsburgh two years after his return from that memorable tour. Out of its humble beginnings in a rented house in Allegheny this haven of mercy has grown into a well-equipped institution located in the most densely populated section of Pittsburgh. It occupies a tract of several acres and includes in its group of buildings a sisters' house, a laboratory, and a laundry and heating-plant besides the hospital proper.

The hospital is under the management of the Institution of Protestant Deaconesses. The Rev. H. W. Roth, D.D., is its director and treasurer, while its internal administration devolves upon five sisters of the Milwaukee Motherhouse, Sister Emma being the sister-in-charge. During the past year it had twenty-nine nurses in training and also employed two graduate nurses.

Mr. Passavant's London vision of "a little hospital with a few beds for the sick" has thus been grandly realized in the Passavant Hospital at Pittsburgh which in 1912 cared for 1,596 in-door and 2,373 out-door patients. And every Lutheran may take just pride in its distinction of being the first Protestant hospital in America.

THE ORPHANAGE AT ZELIENOPLE

The Zelienople Orphans' Home and Farm School is also a realization of a vision Mr. Passavant saw, in his tour abroad, of "a possible home for the fatherless."

The Pittsburgh Infirmary (the name by which the hospital was known until after its founder's death) had not long been open before it had orphans on hand. And Mr. Passavant was not the man to send them adrift or to throw them on doubtful charity. In 1852 he found it necessary to organize a Home for orphans, and children were at once placed in care of the first American deaconess, Sister Louisa Marthens, who had been consecrated at Pittsburgh two years before.

At first there were separate homes for the girls and for the boys, located in different places, but they are now combined in a single institution at Zelienople, Pa. This institution is also under the management of the Institution of Protestant Deaconesses. Sister Minnie is the sister-in-charge and is assisted in the administration of her work by two deaconesses and several teachers. The external management and supervision of the entire work is lodged in the office of a director, the Rev. Chas. W. White being its present incumbent.

The Home is caring for twenty-five per cent more children the past few years than ever before. The average number provided for last year was 105. Surrounding its eight commodious buildings lies the farm of several hundred acres where the boys get some of their most valuable training for life. Improvements are being made each year and at the present time the director is engaged in the work of raising $12,000.00 for an additional boys' cottage.

ROCHESTER HOMES FOR EPILEPTICS

The Homes for the Care of Epileptics at Rochester, Pa., are a foundation which Dr. Passavant did not live to see. They had been included in his compassionate projects, but were not opened until 1895, a year after his death. They were erected by friends as a monument to his honor, and their full title bears his revered name.

Epilepsy is one of the worst diseases that afflict humanity. Apparently in perfect health, engaged in daily duties, the patient loses consciousness, falls forward to the earth, convulses and then lies in unnatural sleep till the apparent effect has passed away. There are more than fifty varieties of epileptic seizure, and many thousands are afflicted with the miserable disease.

For such patients these Passavant Homes provide a Christian home, medical attention, useful employment, and opportunities for religious worship. Two services on Sunday and one during the week, together with daily family worship, morning and evening, bring Bible truths before the inmates and afford them variety, comfort, and hope. Sisters from the Motherhouse in Milwaukee, and Christian men from wherever they can be had, with their high spiritual motive, are an excellent leaven, and provide tender and impartial care for these disease-bound people.

The control of this institution, as of those noticed above, is lodged in "The Institution of Protestant Deaconesses." The outward and financial burdens devolve upon the Director, the Rev. F. W. Kohler, while the internal management is in charge of Sister Ida, and three assisting

deaconesses. They have a family of 87 patients. For these people, they spent 25,334 days last year in nursing and dealt with 13,511 cases of seizure.

In January, 1913, a new cottage for men was completed by which the capacity of the Homes has been increased to one hundred and twenty. The new building is a substantial structure and can easily accommodate fifty ordinary patients and furnishes excellent work room and other useful rooms. In addition to this most recent enlargement of quarters, plans are under contemplation and building-funds have been started for a chapel and an additional girls' cottage.

ERIE HOME FOR THE AGED

The Lutheran Home for the Aged at Erie bears no direct relation to the foundations established under the guidance of Dr. Passavant; yet its warmest supporters are not unwilling to acknowledge the wholesome impulses and the contagion transmitted by the noble example of that remarkable pioneer in works of mercy. The Erie Home is really the outgrowth of a long-cherished wish of the Rev. G. A. Benze, D.D., and received its first substantial support from St. John's congregation which he has had the honor of serving for almost a quarter of a century. He has been the leading spirit in its maintenance, and has served as president of its Board from the time of the opening of the institution in 1906.

The Home is now caring for 32 inmates. Its work is fostered by all the Lutheran churches of the city, and it is very materially supported by an active woman's auxiliary society. During the last year it received as one of its bequests, a legacy of $10,000 from the estate of Mr. Dobler. Its building is located on property belonging to St. John's congregation and adjoining the church. In addition to this building, valued at $20,000, it has accumulated investments amounting to $9,000.00. Its rapid development has far exceeded the anticipations of its founders, and it is no small source of satisfaction to its Board of Managers, that, since 1911. the institution has been adopted as a station of the Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses. With Sisters Frieda and Henrietta in charge, the friends of the Home are assured of a management that is both competent and genuinely skillful in Christian ministries of mercy.

ZELIENOPLE OLD PEOPLE'S HOME

Another institution that represents Christianity at work under the impulse and guidance of heaven-born charity, is the Old People's Home of the Pittsburgh Synod at Zelienople, Pa. It is located on an eighteen acre tract of land bordering the farm of the orphanage. Thus every visitor at Zelienople sees not only the two extremes of human helplessness but also the living faith of Lutheranism embodying itself in noble monuments of charity.

The Home was opened in 1907. Its buildings have been projected on such a very attractive and liberal scale as to furnish a pattern for other church institutions. Following up the comprehensive plans of the Board

two fine cottages were built by Mr. Seaman, of Pittsburgh, as memorials to his mother and his wife; and two sections of the future main building were erected. These contain the office, dining-room, kitchen, living-rooms, and laundry, and are provided with every arrangement for comfort and health. The finish and furnishings are exceptionally pleasing.

The institution is governed by a Board of fifteen managers elected from the members of the Pittsburgh Synod to which it belongs. For its internal administration it depends on the Milwaukee Motherhouse of Deaconesses, its inmates being under the care of Sister Katharine and two assistant deaconesses. All its rooms are occupied and it has proven a delightful retreat for the old people in the eventide of their life, freed from all anxiety for their support and safety.

PITTSBURGH INNER MISSION SOCIETY

The sowing of Dr. Passavant through word and example has yielded still more fruit in the founding of the Lutheran Inner Mission Society of Pittsburgh. This organization grew out of general agitation for the employment of a City Missionary and the subsequent appointment in 1906 of an Inner Mission Committee of the Pittsburgh Synod. The Society is composed of members of the General Council, the General Synod and the Joint Synod of Ohio. The churches of the General Council have however provided for the greater part of the Society's expenditures. After its inauguration in 1908, its work was developed under the direction of the Rev. A. J. D. Haupt, D.D., as city missionary and also housefather of a Hospice. Shortly after Dr. Haupt's resignation the Rev. John Mueller accepted a call in 1911 to the office of city missionary. His time has been given exclusively to ministrations in public homes, hospitals and some of the penal institutions of that great industrial centre. His monthly reports to the Board of the Society reveal an amount of pastoral activity that can never be adequately registered in figures but can be appreciated by every one who values the touch or power of Christian sympathy and the saving might of the Gospel.

THE LEAVEN WORKING IN CONGREGATIONS

Both people and pastors recognize the justice of the warning that our Church fails if it is satisfied with finding expression of the inner mission spirit solely in institutions or special organizations. It is beginning to be understood that the separate congregations are the first and proper spheres for the Church's ministries of mercy. And it is gratifying to realize that not a few congregations of the Pittsburgh Synod are succeeding, even if not in a systematic or demonstrative way, in adding to their ministry of the Word a genuine ministry of mercy. The inner mission leaven has actually reached some congregations and there are pastors who can point to deaconesses without the garb and to deacons who truly magnify their office.

AN INSTITUTIONAL CHURCH

In some parishes the aim of rendering Christian service to men's bodies as well as their souls has crystallized in fixed methods. Perhaps the most noteworthy instance of such a development is furnished by St. John's Church, of Kittanning, Pa. Its pastor, the Rev. G. W. Preuss, firmly believes in the institutional church if it is not brought into disrepute by placing the life before the spirit, or works before faith, or methods before principles.

In 1911 this congregation dedicated a new parish house which was set apart for higher Christian education, the uplifting and elevating of the young people of the Church, the strengthening of their social life and for the benefit of all whom it can reach in the community. Rev. Preuss says: "It is high time that we gather our people around us in an institutional church where means and ways can be found to bring the Pharisees and the publicans and the sinners together, where the shepherd can sit and talk with them about Jesus and other important matters which the Church has to settle and where he can enjoy himself with people in a social way and thus finally win them over and back again to the Church." It is his ambition to set forward the social mission of the Church without minimizing its spiritual mission. He seems to be in hearty accord with Dr. Rainsford who reminded his parishioners that "it is absolutely necessary to reach a large number of people not only once in seven days, but during the working-days of the week. Thousands of young men and women, not always of the poorest class, go to the devil for the need of some place where they can enjoy innocent recreation without the presence of active temptation." Actuated by such sentiments, Rev. Preuss has had the energy to introduce into the life of his parish some features of the institutional church and is continually laying stress on the spiritual aims of his methods with the expectation that no one can justly complain that "the gymnasium is more conspicuous than the chancel."

The Parish House is open every day. Besides its auditorium which is used for concerts, public lecture courses as well as Sunday-school purposes, the building contains a gymnasium where classes in athletics receive training under experienced instructors, a room for games, and a library providing some of the best standard and current literature. Once a month the congregation gathers in this house for a "family evening." The pastor feels well repaid for the extra expenditure of his time and is confident that the varied activities in the Parish House have greatly extended the influence of the congregation and added to its spiritual prosperity.

ORPHANAGE AT BRIDGEWATER, NOVA SCOTIA

To hark back to Dr. Passavant and his life-work in any notice that is taken of the Bethany Orphans' Home at Bridgewater, Nova Scotia, seems to furnish an apt illustration of the questionable methods which a certain school of critics has attributed to the authors of the so-called Tendenz-Schriften. Nevertheless this institution, opened by the Synod of Nova Scotia in 1904, is in more than one respect a direct outgrowth of Passa-

vant's large-visioned activities. It is located on a farm of 160 acres and 15 children are receiving the care and blessing of a Christian home. The housefather, the Rev. C. H. Little, has collected during the past biennium about $4,000.00 on running expenses, and a beginning has been made at reducing the debt upon the institution.

IV. Report of Western Branch

Prepared at a late hour by the Chairman of the General Committee.

It is difficult to compress within proper limits the Inner Mission work in its more strictly institutional form that is being done within the bounds of the Middle West. It is chiefly a story of what the Augustana Synod is doing, as its 2 deaconess motherhouses, its 8 orphans' homes, its 7 homes for the aged, its 6 hospitals, 7 hospices, 2 immigrant stations, and the remarkably diversified city mission in Chicago,—33 institutions and activities all told,—attest. Inner mission activity in the Augustana Synod is not confined to spots, but is everywhere in evidence and has become as necessary to the synod's life as breathing is to the body. Hardly has a newly formed Conference emerged from its purely mission state when both an educational institution and an orphans' and old people's home are bound to be established. They are part of the necessary furnishing with which the Conference does its housekeeping. The commonly accepted theory, that the more that is being done for inner mission work the less will be done for education does not hold in the Augustana Synod; for both are regarded as an obligation that can not be escaped.

Works of mercy have, in fact, reached their ripest fruitage in the Augustana Synod, and large sums of money are being raised for this purpose every year. In its 8 orphans' homes (not including the work of the home-finding committee of the Superior Conference whose figures are not at hand) 453 orphans were cared for at an outlay of approximately $62,000; in its 7 homes for the aged, 170 persons were provided for at a cost of about $50,000 in round numbers; in its 6 hospitals 6,951 patients were treated at a cost of about $215,000, the bulk of which was, of course, received from patients. What has been done in the other forms of inner mission activity is not so easily summarized as the figures for the seven hospices, the two immigrant stations, and other agencies of a miscellaneous character are not at hand. As the deaconess work will be reported separately, no reference to it need here be made.

THE CHICAGO INNER MISSION

Worthy of special mention is the work done by the Chicago City Mission under the leadership of Missionary Tengwald and his helpmeet. This work is sustained by the Illinois Conference of the Augustana Synod, and conducted by a board of 18 members. The work has branched out into nine different channels and is taxing the energies of the missionary and his helpers to the utmost.

1. *Rescue Work:* Over 200 persons were helped—35 victims of intemperance, 9 taken from prison, 15 taken out of Detention Hospital and Insane Asylum, 4 from a life of shame, 40 stranded children, 5 unfortunate mothers, 8 taken from the poor-house, 74 saved from courts, starvation, sickness and other adversities.

2. *Prison Work:* This includes visits to the Cook County Jail, the House of Correction and the Reform School, where 595 heart-to-heart talks with individuals were held and many tracts distributed.

3. *Saloon, Street and Hotel Mission:* This embraces a variety of work which is blessed with much fruitage. It is work done by the City Missionary chiefly on Sunday and requires an aptness which few possess.

4. *Immigrant Work:* Visits to the immigrant rooms of the various railroad stations where information and advice are given and tracts distributed.

5. *Hospital Visitation:* Systematic work in the way of visiting the sick and ministering to their spiritual needs is carried on in about 40 hospitals, asylums and other institutions.

6. *Employment Bureau:* This includes work among the indigent and helpless. During the past year, 537 persons were given food, clothing, lodging and cash to the amount of $3,278.17, and 845 were given employment.

7. *Augustana Nursery:* Under the direction and management of Mrs. Tengwald, a most blessed work among infants has been done. During the year 120 pitiful cases of destitution and desertion have received attention and have been provided for either in Christian homes or at the Nursery.

8. *Augustana Central Home, or Hospice:* An attractive home for travelers and strangers, where meals and lodging may be had at very low rates,—446 having found shelter during the year.

9. *City Mission Printing House:* This is not only an industrial school for men and boys who are taught the art of printing, but it is the center where missionary tracts and booklets by the thousands are prepared for circulation and sent forth to do their beneficent work.

That so vast and varied a work should be done by practically two missionaries, with a few helpers, has been marvelled at generally. It is evident that a much larger working force is needed. The task before the City Missionary is to find and train the workers and provide for a succession. .

THE PASSAVANT INSTITUTIONS

Prominent among these is, of course, the Deaconess Motherhouse and Hospital at Milwaukee, with "The Layton Home for Incurables" as an adjunct. This institution just passed its fiftieth milestone, and signalized the event by the erection of an expensive addition, known as the New Surgical Annex, 108 x 50 feet, and five stories high. It is modern in

every respect and will increase the efficiency of the hospital an hundredfold. During the past fifty years 25,990 patients have here received treatment. Frederick Layton, the founder of the Layton Home, at the feast of dedication, announced a gift of $100,000 in celebration of the anniversary. Rector H. L. Fritschel presided. Rev. Dr. W. K. Frick preached the sermon, and Revs. Dr. H. W. Roth and Dr. G. C. Berkemeier of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., made addresses. On March 12, 1911, Rev. Paul W. Roth entered upon his new work as chaplain. The Passavant Memorial Hospital at Chicago (of which Rev. Herman L. Fritschel is General Director) under the superintendency of Charlotte Christian, continues its beneficent work of ministering to the sick. During the year, 1760 patients were treated, at a cost of $48,296.55. Under its able medical staff, the hospital maintains its reputation for efficiency.

INNER MISSION WORK IN MINNEAPOLIS

Under the leadership of Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Schaffnit, assisted by Rev. Martin Norstad and two deaconesses, sisters Thalie and Gena, the work of the Lutheran Inner Mission Society of Minneapolis has expanded in various directions and a large ministry of mercy made possible.

The Hospice for Women ministered to the wants of 846 during the year 1912, and its building is over-crowded. More than 400 girls were helped to positions in families, 692 free meals and 122 free lodgings were granted, and much was done to create a Christian atmosphere at the Home, which has proved to be of great value to many.

A Bureau of Information for Travelers has been opened, which will prove of great service to many girls at the railway stations who need help and guidance. *Work among the poor* has been conducted in systematic manner, no less than 334 families having been visited and ministered unto to the relief and joy of many deserving people. *Visiting the sick* in hospitals and private homes has proved a benediction to many, and during the year such visits numbered 3,802. *Work among destitute children* has been conducted with marked success through the cooperation of the courts and humane societies, and 21 children were placed in homes. *Unfortunate women,* to the number of 22 have been cared for; work for 37 unemployed men secured; 332 unchurched families visited and many of them reclaimed; and numerous deeds of mercy done which can not find place in a report. For this work $10,017 was spent during the year.

A Kindergarten Association has been organized quite recently and will soon open a school and day nursery, for which a building has already been purchased.

Augustana congregation (Swedish) maintains a *mission cottage* and employs three deaconesses. A home for indigent children is temporarily afforded and 38 have been cared for; also five aged people. The cottage has been the temporary home for 250 working girls. The deaconesses do much work among the poor and in hospitals.

AN INNER MISSION INSTITUTE

Last May a very profitable Inner Mission institute was conducted in Milwaukee which would bear repetition in many Lutheran centers. Subjects of great educational value were discussed. Chief among those who had a large share in making the institute successful were Rector Fritschel and the four General Council pastors. Institutes of this character would do much to shed light and spread interest among our people.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. *The Need of Funds.*—With a committee scattered as widely as ours, the question has forced itself upon the Chairman particularly, as to what can be done to make its workings more efficient. Frequent meetings are impossible because of the expense involved and it seems out of the question to hold one meeting of the entire committee save when the General Council convenes. Even then some who are not delegates cannot be present. This deprives the committee of the great benefit that accrues from a thorough discussion of various questions that are of supreme importance. Our only recourse is to place the responsibility for educational and practical work upon each local branch and let it solve the problems of its territory as best it can. To assure some unity of thought and aim and effort, the Chairman has endeavored by means of correspondence and by meetings with the local branches to prevent the interests of the general work from suffering. But this involves time and energy and expense. However, no other course seems open. With an appropriation of $300 per annum much good might be accomplished which under other conditions seems impossible. The committee requests that the appropriation be made.

2. *On Circulating the Report.*—As the present report is designed for general circulation in pamphlet form, your committee requests that a sufficient sum be appropriated to meet the cost. With a number of illustrations added, it should prove to be valuable as an educator in this great field.

3. *On Inner Mission Discussion at the Council.*—In view of the early necessity of arriving, if possible, at some definite conclusions with regard to the vital matters above referred to, your committee would earnestly request that an adequate amount of the Council's time be set apart for their consideration and discussion. A concensus of conviction on these subjects should be arrived at as early as possible in order to prevent an accumulation of confused and hurtful notions from finding lodgement within the General Council.

4. *A Joint Conference.*—Your committee asks authority in conjunction with the Inner Mission Committee of the General Synod, to arrange, within the coming year, a joint conference on conditions and methods of Inner Mission work.

THE COMMITTEE.

ACTION ON THE INNER MISSION REPORT

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Gerberding it was

Resolved, That the General Council is deeply conscious of the great need of Inner Mission work, especially in the form of city mission work, as the churches answer to the clamors of a Godless socialism; therefore

Resolved, 1. That the General Council through its several synods urge upon all its pastors the importance of seeking, encouraging, and directing candidates for the ministry of mercy.

2. That every possible effort be made to establish the proper institution for the training of New Testament deacons, and the finding of candidates, conversant with American conditions, for this needed work of the Church.

The Rev. Dr. Gerberding offered the following Resolution, which was referred for consideration and development to the Inner Mission Committee:

Resolved, That the congregations in the crowded parts of our cities should maintain the open church during the day for worship, and provide a social center for the younger people in our cities to spend their evenings.

On motion it was

Resolved, That permission be granted to make additions to the historical and descriptive part of the Report.

The Report, with its Recommendations, was adopted as a whole.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Ohl it was

Resolved, That the Board of Education, together with a committee of three appointed by the chairman of the Inner Mission Committee of which the chairman of said committee shall be a member, be and is hereby instructed to take into consideration and mature a plan for the training of lay workers.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Rev. Ambrose Hering, in charge of the Settlement Work, Philadelphia, be requested to address the Council.

The Rev. Mr. Hering then addressed the convention.

The Rev. Dr. Ohl presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DEACONESS WORK

By the grace of God the Female Diaconate has shared during the past biennium in the general advance of the Church's agencies for the advance of the kingdom of our Lord. This is especially evident, when we consider the deaconess work in its entirety as represented by the Kaiserswerth Conference, of which three of the four Motherhouses within the General

Council are members. In view of the not infrequent assertion that the deaconess cause is losing ground, it is interesting to compare the triennial statistics of the Kaiserswerth Conference. According to the official statistics issued in July, 1913, the number of Motherhouses of the Conference has risen from 84 to 88; of Sisters from 19,968 to 21,975, a gain of 2,007, or almost 670 per year; of fields of labor from 7,216 to 7,912, or 696 more; and the total receipts for the previous fiscal year rose from about $5,130,000 to $5,850,000. Selecting the most important factor, the Sisters, we find the increase greater than in any previous triennium.

The Conference reported in 1861, the year of its organization, 26 Motherhouses, 1,202 Sisters, 280 fields of labor, and annual receipts of $180,000. The statistics for 1913 show a gain during the past 25 years of 31 Motherhouses, 54 per cent., of 14,846 Sisters, 208 per cent., of 5,649 fields of labor, 250 per cent., and of almost $4,250,000, 266 per cent. By granting this wonderful and steady growth, the Lord has set His stamp of approval on this work; and what He approves, we dare not neglect.

In the Lutheran Church in this country the Female Diaconate is also progressing favorably, though at a slower rate. The Tenth Conference of Lutheran Motherhouses in the United States convened at Baltimore this spring, and reported on May 1, 1913, a total of 358 Sisters against 320 two years ago, an increase of 38. The four Motherhouses within the General Council, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Omaha, and St. Paul, gained 17; the three Norwegian, at Brooklyn, Minneapolis, and Chicago, 18; that of the General Synod at Baltimore, 4; Brush, Col., remained as it was; and the attempt to found a Lutheran deaconess hospital at Sioux City failed, with the loss of one Sister. The increase, while small, is the more encouraging because its almost equal distribution indicates general advance of *active* interest within the various sections of the Lutheran Church. Were it possible to compare statistically the *passive* interest in this work, the result would be as instructive as interesting; but this passive interest shown by pastors and congregations in their endeavor to secure a parish deaconess, or by godly young women in their admiration for such a "beautiful life of service," must become *active* and lead to the diaconate many more young women for the Church's manifold works of mercy.

The common error, identifying deaconess work with nursing, should give way before the fact, that though the majority of Sisters may be stationed at one of the 19 hospitals, there are deaconesses also in 26 parishes, at 10 homes for the aged, at 9 orphans' homes, at 2 hospices for women and girls, at a home for invalids, at another for epileptics, in settlement work, in district-nursing, in educational work, in Jewish mission work and 14 Sisters in the foreign field in China, India, Japan and Africa. If the diaconate is still pre-eminently active in nursing, let us not forget that the Female Diaconate is the mother of modern trained nursing, which owes its origin to Kaiserswerth, and furthermore, that all experts recognize hospital training as fundamentally important for most other forms of the ministrations of mercy.

No one can recognize more clearly and pray more earnestly for the

expansion of deaconess work into many different fields than the leaders in this work; but further steps on a larger scale are not justified until the number of Sisters grows more rapidly. On the basis of actual conditions, the assertion is justified, that if the various Motherhouses should suddenly find twice their present number of thoroughly trained and consecrated deaconesses at their disposal, they would find no difficulty in placing every one of them, within six months, to the advantage of the Church. The harvest, indeed, is great, but the laborers are few.

In order that the Church may be led to a better realization of the great need of thoroughly trained and consecrated volunteers for its various works of mercy, and in order to inspire the Church to more earnest and continuous prayer for laborers, your committee would respectfully suggest, that the General Council at this convention by official action recommend that on Septuagesima Sunday every pastor in his sermons or announcements call attention to the Female Diaconate, its labors and its needs. We rejoice to report, that the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the Ministerium of New York, and the Canada Synod already took similar action in 1912. The Female Diaconate, as every other branch of the Church's work, needs and deserves the most hearty and energetic co-operation of the entire Church.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gehr, it was

Resolved, 1. That the General Council recommend to its various Synods the adoption of a resolution designating Septuagesima Sunday as especially adapted to call the attention of their congregations to the great importance of the female diaconate, and to the opportunities for most blessed and necessary service in the vineyard of the Lord.

2. That all committees and institutions of the General Council engaged in Inner Mission work be instructed to report to the Inner Mission Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Belfour presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JEWISH MISSION WORK

"To the Jew first." Thus wrote the great Jewish-Christian convert and Gentile missionary, St. Paul. If in the lapse of time Jewish particularism has no longer any claim, and priority of salvation's offer no longer any force, we should not forget that time has not released Israel from the necessity of accepting the salvation that is in Christ.

The thought and energy of the Christian Church are yearly concentrated more and more upon the conversion of the Gentile heathen, while the promising field of Christian missionary work among the Jews is receiving proportionately but scanty attention. We rejoice in the cry,

"the heathen for Christ," but believe that Israel merits, if not more than, at least, "the crumbs that fall from the Master's table."

Great dissatisfaction with their religious condition is being manifested by Jews everywhere. Their contact with Christians in pronounced Christian communities, and especially the association of the younger element with Christian boys and girls in the public schools of our country, are entering wedges cleaving the rock of traditional Judaism and disposing many to look more favorably than formerly upon Christianity, whilst many others grope in darkness until they finally settle down to the blandest rationalistic conceptions. To win Israel to Christ is deserving of our efforts fully as much as to make known Christ's saving power among the heathen.

In offering our report for the past two years the Committee desires to incorporate in it

A BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR MISSION.

In the year 1906, the Pittsburgh Synod received into its membership a Jewish-Christian convert in the person of the Rev. John Legum, who had been regularly ordained by the Joint Synod of Ohio to the office of the holy ministry. Upon his own responsibility Bro. Legum began active missionary work among the Jews of Pittsburgh, Pa., meeting with more than indifferent success. After a most fervent plea upon the floor of the Pittsburgh Synod in the year 1907 in behalf of his brethren in the flesh, it was resolved, "That the Jewish mission conducted by the Rev. John Legum, a member of this Synod in the city of Pittsburgh, be recommended to the General Council of the Lutheran Church." Whether this resolution contemplated more than merely calling attention to the existence of such a mission is not clear, and the action of the General Council was that the work be "commended to the congregations" (G. C Minutes, 1907, p. 309). The missionary slackened not his efforts, toiling diligently during week days among the people whose conversion to Christ he sought, and preaching on Lord's days in pulpits of the Synod, presenting his work and soliciting contributions in support thereof, thus maintaining himself and his mission. The conduct of this mission continued thus until the Erie Conference of the Pittsburgh Synod recommended to the Synod at its 1909 Convention that "the Jewish Mission work of the Synod be placed in the hands of a special committee," and the Executive Committee of the Synod at this same Convention recommended that "the General Council be asked to create a Board of Jewish Missions, and when so constituted this mission be placed under its management." A committee was appointed at this Convention of the Pittsburgh Synod to assume control of the mission. The offer of the Pittsburgh Synod to place what it now designated as "Christ's Mission to the Jews," under the management of the General Council led this honorable body to resolve, "That the Jewish Mission Committee of the Pittsburgh Synod be constituted a Committee of the General Council to take over the work so offered" (G. C. Minutes, 1909, p. 52). This action was an excellent

step in the right direction, but the object sought was not yet accomplished. The Committee felt that "something more effectual was necessary" and recommended in its report at the last convention of the General Council three things:

1. Full control of this mission by the General Council.
2. An enlargement of the Committee.
3. An appropriation of $6,000.00 for this work.

The General Council approved this report, enlarging the Committee to eleven members and recommending an apportionment of $3,000 per annum, —the apportionment to the various Synods being left with the Committee.

WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee appointed by the President of this body met in the First English Lutheran Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1911, and effected an organization by the election of

The Rev. R. Morris Smith, Ph.D., D.D., Chairman.

The Rev. W. E. Bauer, Secretary.

The Rev. B. F. Hankey, Treasurer.

Special committees were appointed to whom particular duties in the government of the Mission were assigned. Among the more important items of action by the Committee are the following:

1. The requirement of monthly itemized bills of expenses.
2. The apportionment of the $3,000 per annum recommended by the Council.
3. The adoption of Rules governing the conduct of the Committee and missionary or missionaries.
4. Regularly calling the Rev. John Legum as missionary at a fixed salary.
5. Assuming the necessary expenses of the mission, such as rent, heat, light, and telephone.
6. The selection of more suitable quarters.

Prior to the General Council's control of this Mission, the question of finances resolved itself into the ability of the missionary to obtain dates with pastors for the presentation of his cause, and the solicitation of an offering after such presentation. Whilst the present system is somewhat of an improvement, the Committee still finds it necessary to send our missionary on recruiting expeditions, from which fact the inference is drawn that the synods are not meeting their apportionments, an inference readily confirmed by an examination of the Treasurer's report.

OUR MISSIONARY

The Rev. John Legum, whose address is 1105 Wylie Av., Pittsburgh, Pa., is our missionary. Bro. Legum is the founder of the Mission, and the Committee has the fullest confidence in his judgment as well as in his methods of work. He is a man of keen intellect, quick in turning an argument in behalf of his cause, thoroughly imbued with the importance of his work, and gifted with a vein of humor that renders his personality

attractive. The Committee deemed it advisable to extend a call to Bro. Legum, and did so at a meeting held November 11, 1912. The salary was fixed at $1,000.00 per annum, the Committee assuming the payment of necessary expenses, such as rent, light, heat, and telephone. A goodly proportion of this promised salary our missionary is still forced to gather personally, doing so by visiting congregations in behalf of the Mission. All monies thus collected are turned over to the treasurer, the Committee, however, allowing for all incidental expenses. The Committee hopes that all our Synods will recognize the importance of this work so as to pay their apportionments promptly and thus permit the missionary to give his entire time and attention to the Mission, more especially upon the one day of the week the Mission should have the benefit of his services, viz., the Lord's Day.

SUMMARY OF OUR MISSIONARY'S WORK

Our missionary is "instant in season, out of season." During the past two years no less than 7,000 Jews were approached with the message of the gospel. 1,300 earnest seekers after the truth visited the Mission and of this number 150 became pupils. Jewish pupilage at Christian mission stations is a somewhat variable quantity, depending upon many diverse circumstances. Regularity of attendance cannot be expected, the migratory habits of these inquirers precluding any regularity. 50 of these pupils are today convinced of the truth as it is in Christ, and 20 could have been baptized had not the seriousness of the problem what to do with them after being cut off from their Jewish relatives confronted the missionary. Two (2) young married Jews were baptized, one of whom is very anxious to prepare himself for work among his own people. One (1) young man is eagerly awaiting baptism and anxiously looking forward to the time when circumstances may favor his being sent to some school, there to prepare for the Saviour's work. One of the Mission's beneficiaries during the past two years finished his theological studies, was ordained by the Augustana Synod, and is now pastor of a Swedish parish. One of the Mission's converts is at present at Thiel College and is partly supported by the Mission. Thousands of tracts, edited by the missionary, were distributed among the Jewish people. Bibles and New Testaments in Yiddish were freely donated to those who promised to read them. An average of four (4) days per week were spent in teaching,—the hours being from 9-12 a. m.; 2-5 p. m.; 7-10 p. m.

MORE SUITABLE QUARTERS

Shortly after our organization a special committee appointed for the purpose of viewing the Mission and its equipment reported the total inadequacy of the quarters for the work; but only recently was the Mission removed to a more suitable place. "The Missionary's Voice" (a quarterly publication in the interest of the Mission), sounds its note of thankfulness in the significant words: "The Mission has moved to larger quarters. For three years the Mission was lodged in a room too small for the

work. It was large enough for school and some kinds of settlement work, but it was not large enough for preaching. In the present place better work can be done. The place itself is preaching without ceasing, day and night. It occupies the one corner of the building on Logan and Epiphany streets and has a large number of windows. The Jewish passers-by are informed of the character of the place and the work within by exhibitions in the windows. Some of the Jews are jealous of the Mission's publicity, but others again are glad to have and retain the Mission's pastor and friends as neighbors."

The influence of the Mission upon the Jews of the neighborhood is plainly visible. Open displeasure is now rarely shown, whereas in former years such was far from being the case.

EXTENSION OF THE WORK

It is the desire and aim of the Committee to extend the work beyond the bounds of Pittsburgh, and were the apportionments to the various Synods met with any degree of approximation to the amounts apportioned, the Committee would place a missionary in the city of Philadelphia as soon as possible, following this with similar action in other large centers, financial conditions justifying such action.

The report of the Treasurer is herewith appended.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee recommends an appropriation of $8,000.00 for the biennium with the understanding that another station be opened as soon as possible, thus allowing the sum of $2,000 per annum for each Mission.

The Revs. Dr. G. J. Gongaware and Earnest Anton Trabert having removed from the bounds of the Mission and of the Pittsburgh Synod, the Committee recommends the appointment in their place of two brethren living within the vicinity of Pittsburgh so as to insure their presence at the quarterly meetings of the Committee.

Treasurer's Report

Report of Treasurer of Jewish Mission Committee from Oct. 1, 1911, to July 22, 1913.

Monies received during biennium	$2,072 78
Disbursements during same time	2,021 49
Balance	$51 29

Receipts and Sources of Income.

Pittsburgh Synod Treas., Congregations and Societies	$1,535	98
Augustana Synod Treas., Congregations	261	47
Ministerium of Penna., Congregations	53	18
Ministerium of New York, Congregations	43	30
Independent Synods and Congregations	11	15

District Synod of Ohio, Congregations	$11 00	
Chicago Synod	75 00	
Canada Synod	2 00	
Synod of Central Canada	10 00	
Nova Scotia Synod	10 00	
Synod of the Northwest	59 70	
		$2,072 78

Disbursements

Paid for Expenses of Mission:		
Missionary's Salary	$1,252 91	
Rents	741 48	
Traveling Expenses of Missionary	17 00	
Miscellaneous	10 10	
		$2,021 49
Balance		$51 29

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. HANKEY, *Treas.*

Pittsburgh, July 30, 1913.
Audited and found correct.

W. WARREN WATTLES.
H. M. KLINGENSMITH.
Auditing Committee.

STATEMENT AS TO APPORTIONMENT, AND AMOUNT PAID, FROM OCT. 1, 1911, TO JULY 22, 1913.

	Apportionment	Paid	Overpaid	Unpaid
Pittsburgh Synod	$1,400	$1,535 98	$135 98	
Augustana Synod	650	261 47		$388 53
Ministerium of Penna.	2,300	53 18		2,246 82
Ministerium of New York	260	43 30		216 70
Independent Synods and Cong.		11 15		
District Synod of Ohio	310	11 00		299 00
Chicago Synod	170	75 00		95 00
Canada Synod	100	2 00		98 00
Central Synod of Canada	30	10 00		20 00
Nova Scotia Synod	46	10 00		36 00
Synod of the Northwest	200	59 70		140 30
Manitoba Synod	14			14 00
Synod of New York & N. E.	470			470 00
Pacific Synod	50			50 00
Totals	$6,000	$2,072 78	$135 98	$4,074 35

Respectfully submitted,

R. MORRIS SMITH, *Chairman.*
W. E. BAUER, *Secretary.*

The report, with its recommendations, was adopted.

On motion of Rev. G. Drach, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Jewish Mission Work be encouraged to extend its efforts beyond the city of Pittsburgh during the coming biennium.

REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH BOOK AND LITERATURE SOCIETY

The work of the Lutheran Church Book and Literature Society has passed the experimental stage, and the Society may now be considered one of the established factors in the activities of the Church. At this writing its articles of incorporation are before the Court, and by the time this will be read its charter will probably have been granted.

The Society now has a membership of about 600 representing 24 states and four of the provinces of Canada. The annual payment of one dollar by each one of these members gives the Society a fair working capital.

In the brief existence of the Society 1,491 Church Books have been furnished to 55 missions and six institutions of mercy, located in 14 states and four provinces of Canada, and 275 Sunday-school books have been given to six new missions. The four tracts of the Society, selling at 15 cents per hundred, have now reached a combined circulation of 125,000 copies.

Filling a unique field and under careful management the Lutheran Church Book and Literature Society merits the confidence of the Church and asks for your cooperation and support.

ARTHUR C. CARTY, *Vice-President.*

The report was received and ordered spread on the minutes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PACIFIC SEMINARY

The Rev. T. E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D., President of the General Council, Lebanon, Pa.

DEAR BROTHER:

The Committee on Pacific Seminary, appointed at the last convention of the General Council, submits the following report:

1. The committee met in Christ Church, Lancaster, Pa., in May, 1912, with a majority of the members present.

2. A careful examination was made of the constitution and curriculum presented by the Board of Directors.

3. We find that the constitution is in harmony with the doctrines and usages of the General Council.

4. While at first the curriculum provided for a two years' course of study, the Board of Directors at its June, 1912, meeting revised it, and now offers a full three years' course. The requirements for entrance are a full collegiate course; and for graduation the high standard maintained by our theological seminaries.

5. The Board agrees to maintain the rules of discipline as may be agreed upon by the boards of all our seminaries.

6. The revised curriculum has been submitted to the Board of Education as per resolution (see Minutes 1911, page 247.

We have therefore, on behalf of the General Council, approved and endorsed the Pacific Seminary, and transmit our action to the President of the General Council, in accordance with resolution on page 248, Minutes 1911.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Reichert,
C. A. Smith,
G. A. Gongaware,
W. M. Mearig,
M. C. Ranseen,
W. K. Frick,
F. P. Mayser,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Rev. Dr. Ochsenford presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

The Committee on Statistics presents the following summary of the official statistics for the year 1912, as gathered and compiled by the editor of "The Lutheran Church Almanac" for the year 1913, as follows: 13 synods, 51 conferences, 1,644 ministers, 2,519 congregations, 751,373 baptized members, of whom 495,468 are confirmed members; 623 parochial schools, with 756 teachers, and 26,156 pupils; 2,145 Sunday-schools, with 28,044 officers and teachers, and 258,638 scholars. The congregations report 78 men's societies with 2,862 members; 514 women's societies with 25,378 members; and 336 young people's societies with 16,080 members. This is an increase, for the year, of 33 ministers, 16 congregations, and 4,979 confirmed members. The value of church property is given as amounting to $29,957,600; local expenses amounting to $3,785,700; and offerings for benevolence amounting to $559,000. The average yearly offering per member amounted to $8.77, of which $7.64 were for local expenses and $1.13 were for benevolence. Within this body there are twenty-one institutions for higher education, viz: Five theological seminaries, eight colleges, seven academies and one school for young women. Twelve of the colleges and academies are co-educational. These insti-

tutions have property and endowment funds valued at $3,695,000, and 3,937 students, of whom 417 are in course of preparation for the ministry.

The statistics for the year 1913, as furnished by officials of synods and gathered from various periodicals by members of the Committee, are as follows: 13 synods, 51 conferences, 1,668 ministers, 2,554 congregations, 751,373 baptized members, of whom 490,052 are confirmed members; 597 parochial schools, with 693 teachers, and 25,640 pupils; 2,009 Sunday-schools, with 28,604 officers and teachers, and 259,991 scholars. The data for congregational societies are not accessible to the Committee, since not all the synods furnish the necessary information. The increase for the last biennium is as follows: 59 ministers, 58 congregations, and 573 less members. The value of church property is given as amounting to $31,-543,080; local expenses, $4,253,607, and benevolent offerings amounting to $636,307.26. The number of institutions remains unchanged. The value of property and endowment funds are variously given, but are, also, practically the same as those presented in the previous report.

The Inner Mission institutions within this body number fifty-three, of which 15 are Orphanages, 13 Homes for the Aged, 3 Homes for Defectives, 8 Hospitals, 4 Deaconess Mother-houses, 6 Hospices, and 4 Immigrant and Seamen's Homes, with a property value and endowment amounting to $3,905,465, and caring for 21,619 inmates, though the latter figures are incomplete.

The form for "Parochial Report," as prepared by the Committee on Uniform Statistics and adopted by this body at its last convention, needs a few minor changes, in order to make it complete. We suggest that the word "Number," i. e., number of schools, be added to the rubrics under Parochial Schools and Kindergartens, since, especially in connection with the former, some congregations report more than one school; and that the word "Catechumens" be omitted. We submit a detailed form, in which the different rubrics appear in their proper connection, which we present for consideration and adoption.

In view of the fact that not all the synods of the Council have adopted this form for their synodical reports; and in order to secure uniform and accurate reports from all the congregations of the synods connected with this body, we suggest that the form as approved by the General Council, be again recommended to the various synods for use in the gathering and arranging of statistics.

The Form for Parochial Report, referred to in this report, is herewith submitted.

PAROCHIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING ..... 19..

Name of Congregation ..... When Organized.....

Location of Church .....

Name and Address of Pastor .....

STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP:
- Baptized
- Confirmed
- Communed during Year

Accessions:
- Baptism—Infant
- Baptism—Adult
- Confirmation
- Letter
- Reinstatement

Losses:
- By Death
- By Transfer
- By Removal
- By Exclusion

Students:
- In Lutheran Institutions
- In non-Lutheran Institutions
- Preparing for the Ministry
- Preparing for Deaconess Work

SCHOOLS:

Sunday:
- No. G. C. Graded
- No. Ungraded
- Teachers and Officers
- Scholars
- Current Expenses
- Benevolence

Parochial:
- No. of Schools
- No. of Days
- Teachers
- Pupils
- Current Expenses

Kindergarten:
- No. of Schools
- No. of Days
- Teachers
- Pupils
- Current Expenses

SOCIETIES:

Men's:
- Number
- Members
- Current Expenses
- Benevolence

Women's:
- Number
- Members
- Current Expenses
- Benevolence

Young People's:
- Number
- Members
- Current Expenses
- Benevolence

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCES:
- Value of Church Property
- Value of Parsonage
- Amount of Endowment
- Current Expenses
- Special Expenses
- Total Expenses

BENEVOLENCE:

Synodical:
- Synodical Expenses
- Theological Seminary
- Colleges
- Beneficiary Education
- Orphans
- Disabled Ministers' Fund
- Inner Mission

General Council:
- English Home Missions
- German Home Missions
- Swedish Home Missions
- Foreign Missions
- Porto Rico Mission
- Slav Missions
- Jewish Missions
- Church Extension
- Board of Education
- Immigrant Mission
- Kropp Seminary

General:
- Local Charity
- Other Purposes

SUMMARY:
- Total Current Expenses
- Total Special Expenses
- Total of all Benevolence
- Grand Total

EXPLANATIONS:

FOR BACK OF FORMS

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Conference .....
Parish .....
Congregation .....
Name of Pastor .....
P. O. Address .....
Express Office Address .....
Year of Ordination .....
Entered Synod .....
Re-entered Synod .....

Copies of Minutes Desired:

By Regular Claim: Eng..... Ger.....
By Purchase: Eng..... Ger.....
Explanations of Rubrics: .....

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

Report adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hunton, it was

Resolved, That we request all the Synods of the General Council to conform their Minutes to one uniform and standard size in order to facilitate their use in practical work.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gehr it was

Resolved, That this committee enter into correspondence with the Statistical Committees of other general bodies.

Rev. Dr. Stump presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE GENERAL LUTHERAN CONFERENCE

HISTORICAL SUMMARY

The "Allgemeine Konferenz" was organized in 1867, in the same year in which the General Council held its first convention in Fort Wayne. The object of the Allgemeine Konferenz was to prevent the substitution of an established Union church in place of the Lutheran Churches throughout the German Empire, and to guard against the government of the Lutheran Churches by the ecclesiastical authorities of the Prussian Union, as well as to draw the Lutheran elements into closer union with one another. Its five fundamental articles acknowledged the confessions of our Church as its basis. An Engere Konferenz of eighty prominent Lutherans was formed, and these elected nine men as a Vorstand or an Executive Committee.

Harless was its first President and Kliefoth presented the first paper.

From the beginning the General Council was in close touch and hearty sympathy with the Allgemeine Konferenz. At its second convention in 1868, at Pittsburgh, the General Council appointed a committee, consisting of Drs. C. W. Schaeffer, Mann and Fritschel, to express to the "Allgemeine Konferenz" its hearty sympathy and agreement in the struggle against Unionism. In 1869 Dr. C. P. Krauth was appointed a delegate and Professor Fritschel was requested to present the interests of the General Council in the Allgemeine Konferenz; and in 1870 Professor Fritschel appeared at the Allegemeine Konferenz at Leipzig and a close bond of sympathy was established between it and the General Council.

In 1887 Dr. Spaeth, then President of this body, was the delegate of the General Council to the Allgemeine Konferenz at Hamburg. In 1901 Dr. S. Laird, Dr. L. G. Abrahamson, and Rev. W. A. Passavant, Jr., were appointed delegates to the convention of the Allgemeine Konferenz at Lund.

At Lund the character of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" underwent some changes. It assumed a more representative character, admitting a wider range of representatives into membership in the "Engere Konferenz" and broadening the scope of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" so as to make it international in character.

In 1907 far-reaching amendments were made in the constitution and organization of the "Allgemeine Konferenz." The Lutherans in the Union State Church were admitted to full voting membership in the "Engere Konferenz," and Lutherans in the Union and representatives and members of free churches were excluded from the "Vorstand" or governing body. This action led to a rupture and the formation by members of the Free Churches of the "Lutherischer Bund" in Germany, and has called forth a protest from our members of the "Engere Konferenz," and a resolution by the General Council in 1907, in Minneapolis, endorsing their protest and asking the "Allgemeine Konferenz" to reconsider its constitutional changes.

In 1911 Dr. Sandt represented the General Council at the "Allgemeine Konferenz" in Upsala, and by direction of the General Council, sought to obtain an official reply to the resolutions of the General Council. At the meeting of the General Council at Lancaster it was resolved that a committee on "Allgemeine Konferenz" be appointed to take the whole case into consideration and to report at this convention.

The following is the report of said committee on the "Allgemeine Konferenz":

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on "The International Lutheran Conference" begs leave to submit the following report:

The Committee met on July 29, 1913, at 1522 Arch street, Philadelphia. There were present Drs. Schmauk, Jacobs, Sandt, Ohl, Hoffman and Stump. In reply to a letter from Bishop Von Scheele to President Dr. Schmauk with reference to the admission of the General Synod into the

"Allgemeine Konferenz," the secretary of the committee was instructed to write to Bishop Von Scheele, that, while the committee as a committee feels that there is no objection to the admission of the General Synod to membership in the "Allgemeine Konferenz," it was not in a position to give an official reply to his question inasmuch as the next meeting of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" would take place before this present meeting of the General Council.

In reply to a letter of Professor Dr. Ihmels, first President of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" to Dr. Sandt, the official representative of this body at the meeting of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" in Upsala, in which Dr. Ihmels states that the Confessional status of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" has remained unchanged, the secretary was instructed to write, that said letter did not constitute an answer to the resolutions of the General Council passed in 1909 (p. 241) and to request that the "Engere Konferenz" act upon said resolutions, and send an official reply to them.

These letters have been sent by the secretary according to instructions.

PREAMBLE AND ACTION

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted by the committee to be submitted to this body:

WHEREAS, The General Council in 1903 deemed it desirable that the Lutheran "Allgemeine Konferenz" be invited to America, thus "making it a truly International Conference of Lutherans from the whole world" (Minutes, Norristown, p. 180);

And WHEREAS, In 1905, our committee on the relation of the General Council to the "Allgemeine Konferenz" reported that it was at work on this plan, and declared its belief that "a personal acquaintance with the development and present condition of our Lutheran Free Church in America would be a revelation and an encouragement to European Lutherans under the growing difficulties and embarrassments of the State Church in Europe" (Minutes, Milwaukee, p. 206);

And WHEREAS, Our committee, in 1907, reported the difficulties which had arisen in the "Allgemeine Konferenz," which culminated in the resignation of Count Vitztum from the presidency, which compelled our General Council representatives in the "Allgemeine Konferenz" to make public in Europe the position of the General Council, and to raise a voice of warning against the proposed change of constitution of the "Allgemeine Konferenz," and which were so serious as to prevent any meeting at all of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" in 1907 (Minutes, Buffalo, p 301);

And WHEREAS, At Minneapolis, in 1909, our committee on the "Allgemeine Konferenz" reported that the constitution of that body had been "changed so as to exclude both Lutherans in the Union and members and representatives of Lutheran Free Churches from actual government of the Konferenz," and that now "the time seems to have arrived when the General Council must come to a decision, whether it will continue its connection with the 'Allgemeine Konferenz' or break it off" (Minutes, Minneapolis, p. 241);

And Whereas, The General Council resolved, "that its representatives in the 'Allgemeine Konferenz' be and are herewith instructed to urge upon the 'Allgemeine Konferenz' a reconsideration of the recent constitutional changes which have given so much offense, so that its representative and legislative character may be given up, and, avoiding all entangling alliances, it may simply form a free Evangelical Conference or Congress of Lutherans, who accept ex animo the confessions of our Church";

And Whereas, In 1911, the General Council sent its delegate to Europe to present this action of the General Council personally and in writing to the "Allgemeine Konferenz," to which official presentation the General Council has received no reply as to substance, but only the statement to the committee that the "Allgemeine Konferenz" is still soundly Lutheran;

And *Inasmuch* as the General Council owes it to itself as a great Church body representing 800,000 souls in a free country, and to the cause of a true universal Lutheranism, to continue to urge upon the "Allgemeine Konferenz" that its proposal be not further ignored, but receive such official consideration as the subject deserves, and that we receive such official reply as the position of the General Council entitles it to;

Inasmuch as the highly specialized nature of the organization of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" responds chiefly to internal Church conditions in Germany, and fails on its present basis to afford a proper constitutional foundation for the gathering together of sound Lutheranism throughout the world, and for giving Lutheranism the commanding position it deserves throughout Christendom;

Inasmuch as the "Allgemeine Konferenz" has so changed its constitution as to exclude all Lutherans in America, including general bodies, synods, societies and individuals, as well as representatives of Lutheran free churches elsewhere in the world, from membership in the "Vorstand" which controls the "Allgemeine Konferenz," only Lutherans who belong to the official Landeskirchen being eligible to such membership;

Inasmuch as this change in constitutional provision is in conflict with two fundamental principles which are vital to the future universality of the Christian Church, and which it behooves Lutheranism in America to uphold, namely, the principle of the complete separation of Church and State, and the principle that there shall be no legislation or taxation without representation;

Inasmuch as the time is now ripe for a really world-wide conference or world organization of Lutherans, to which all Lutherans throughout the world sound in the faith shall be admitted on equal terms, and which alone can truly unite Lutheranism and preserve it from the indirect entanglements and diplomatic complications injecting themselves into the Lutheran Church through the pressure of civil government;

Inasmuch as in its appeal to the "Allgemeine Konference" the General Council of the Lutheran Church in North America has already taken a formal and specific stand on this point, a stand that has been publicly recognized in Europe and America, and which has been viewed with

favor by the majority of Lutherans, particularly the German Lutherans in America, including Lutherans in the Synodical Conference, the Iowa Synod and the Joint Synod of Ohio;

Inasmuch as the General Council cannot afford to stultify itself as to an important historical position thus already taken, in the interests of universal Lutheranism and of Lutheranism in America, in the eyes of Lutherans in America;

Inasmuch as it is our belief that the general bodies and independent synods of America, including particularly the General Synod, which by its recent approach to our own doctrinal position and by its known devotion to those principles of American Lutheran Church polity which forever separate the Church from the State, will, if the issue be properly presented, join with us in our position, and that on this position of a free world conference of Lutherans on a sound confessional basis, the whole American Church can almost without exception unite;

And *Inasmuch* as it is our interpretation of the resolution under which your present General Council Committee on "Allgemeine Konferenz" is acting (Convention of General Council, 1911, at Lancaster, resolution 4, d. Minutes, p. 25), that it is not empowered to appoint and send a delegate to Europe, neither is the President of the General Council so empowered as he was in 1909, until the committee "has taken the case into consideration and reported to the next meeting of the General Council"; therefore,

In view of the above facts and considerations, your committee has:

1. Addressed another official communication to the President of the "Allgemeine Konferenz," urging upon him the official consideration and reply to our action taken in 1909 and communicated by our delegate in 1911.

2. Has decided not to send a delegate to the convention now assembling in Nuremberg.

3. Is maintaining good financial standing in the "Allgemeine Konferenz."

RECOMMENDATIONS

Your committee presents the following recommendations:

1. That its action up to this point be approved.

2. That the committee be requested to continue to press upon the "Allgemeine Konferenz" a consideration of the General Council proposal.

3. That the General Council continue to show its loyalty to the object of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" and to our past historical connection with it, and that it secure and retain the rights and privileges it now possesses by paying the proper dues into the treasury of the "Allgemeine Konferenz."

4. That we refrain from sending any further delegates to the "Allgemeine Konferenz" until our repeated official inquiry on the subject on

which we have memorialized the "Allgemeine Konferenz" has been officially answered by it as to substance in such form as can be presented to the General Council as the official action of the "Allgemeine Konferenz" on the subject.

5. That, when the "Allgemeine Konferenz" sends its official reply as to a proposed constitutional change which will permit of a truly universal and international or world conference, in which all Lutherans on a sound doctrinal basis can unite on equal terms, the whole subject be thoroughly discussed in all its bearings on the floor of the General Council; and that either then or earlier, efforts be made to secure the cooperation of the General Synod and all American Lutheran bodies and synods, on a sound basis, who may be willing to enter into the movement, and thus secure, from America at least, an attitude truly representing America in any world conference of Lutherans.

The Committee,
JOSEPH STUMP, *Sec'y.*

The report, with its recommendations, was unanimously adopted.

REPORT OF DELEGATE TO THE GENERAL LUTHERAN CONFERENCE

Your delegate to the General Conference held in Upsala, Sweden, August 28-31, 1911, (chosen and commissioned at a late hour) felt it incumbent upon him to present and defend the action of the General Council at its Convention in Minneapolis in 1909. This action is found on page 241 in the Minutes of that year. Some time was spent in Hamburg, previous to the meeting of the Conference, with a view to familiarize himself with conditions in that body since the changes effected in its constitution in the year 1907. A report and defense of that action was prepared in the hope of presenting it at the earliest possible moment at one of the sessions of the General Conference; but as the General Conference as such has no business or executive sessions but delegates all matters of this character to its Executive Committee, known as the Engere Konferenz, an effort was made to present the report to that body. After several conferences with the officials, it became apparent to your delegate that there was little disposition to reopen a question that was regarded as closed in 1907, when the change in the constitution was made admitting pastors and delegates of the Union Church in Germany to the same rights as the members of the Free Churches. It was agreed, however, that your delegate should be granted a hearing at the meeting of the Engere Konferenz to be held after the farewell service in the cathedral at noon, August 31st. The service, unfortunately was lengthened out far beyond the hour expected, and no meeting of the Engere Konferenz could be held. Thus no official reply to the General Council's resolutions of 1909 could be obtained at that time.

A request was left with the first President of the Conference that an official answer be given to the General Council's action at the next meeting of the Engere Konferenz and the following is the reply*:

LEIPZIG, EN, DEN 3 AUG., 1912.

Sehr Geehrter Herr Doktor:—Ihre neue Anfrage habe ich der "Engeren Konferenz" vorgelegt, und dieselbe hat mich beauftragt folgende Erklaerung abzugeben:

Durch die Aufnahme der sogenannten Vereinslutheraner in die Engere Konferenz ist an der bekenntnismaessigen Stellung der Allgemeinen Konferenz nichts geaendert. Insbesondere weiss sie sich nach wie vor zu allem Unionismus in bewusstem Gegensatz und glaubt gerade durch die Aufnahme der Vereinslutheraner, die in der Union den Unionismus bekaempfen, den Kampf gegen den Unionismus am besten zu dienen.

Ich hoffe, dass diese Erklaerung unmissverstaendlich ist, und kann nur die Bitte wiederholen, dass das General-Council, auf dessen Gemeinschaft wir den groesten Wert legen, der gemeinsamen Sache treu bleiben moege!

Der Gott des Friedens lenke unsere Herzen zur Gemeinschaft in Ihm!

In herzlicher Begriessung,

Ihr

treuergebenste

Ihmels.

A brief statement of the present situation seems to be in order. The wound that has been inflicted upon the General Conference since the action of 1907 is a serious one. The Free Church men, who were among the heartiest supporters of the General Conference, together with a considerable number of the Lutheran state churches (in Bavaria, Hanover, Saxony, Mechlenberg, Braunschweig, Wittenberg, Thuringia, Alsace), take the

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*[TRANSLATION]

LEIPZIG, Aug. 3, 1912.

Highly Esteemed Doctor:

Your recent inquiry I presented to the "Engere Konferenz," and was authorized by the same to make the following explanation:

The reception of the so-called "Vereinslutheraner" into the "Engere Konferenz" has produced no changes in the confessional position of the General Conference. In particular it stands in conscious opposition to all unionism, and believes to serve the battle against unionism best by the very fact of the reception of the "Vereinslutheraner," who combat unionism in the very midst of the Union.

I hope that this explanation cannot be misunderstood and am constrained to repeat the request that the General Council, whose communion we value so highly, may remain true to the common cause.

May the God of peace guide our hearts to communion in Him. With cordial greeting,

Yours most sincerely,

IHMELS.

position, that by that action, which places members of the Prussian Union State Church on a par with other members of the Engere Konferenz, the original purpose of the General Conference to counteract the unionistic tendencies and influences emanating from the Prussian Union State Church has become much obscured and enfeebled. They claim that these Lutherans of the Union State Church have placed themselves in the position, not only of passive obedience to the Union State Church and its laws and aims, but that they participate actively in administrative affairs that help to advance the cause of unionism, and hence are not competent to lead the movement that looks to the emancipation of the Lutheran Church from the entanglements of Prussian unionism which is advocating, under the encouragement of the emperor, a German National Evangelical Church politically strong and confessionally weak. They further claim, that, by thus admitting into full legislative rights men submissive to Prussian unionism, an injustice is done to the purely Lutheran state and free churches both within Germany and outside of it, and a virtual admission made that the free churchmen had left the Union State Church without just cause. Add to this the further offense of placing membership in the Vorstand beyond the reach of the Free Churches, and you have the chief grounds why the Lutherische Bund was formed, whose hope it is to keep pure and disentangled the original aims of the General Conference, and with the help of other free church bodies in America and elsewhere to influence the General Conference to rescind the action of 1907.

On the other hand, those responsible for the action of 1907 affirm that the attitude of the General Conference toward the Union State Church has in no wise been changed because of it, since the Lutherans of the Prussian Union were received into voting-membership in the Engere Konferenz because of an unequivocal pronouncement, on their part, of antipathy to all unionism. That they remain in the Union State Church is because of a conviction, that, by doing so, they are in a position all the more effectively to counteract the influences of unionism, and they regard full membership in the Engere Konferenz an added power in their hands as it places the whole prestige and influence of the General Conference behind them, an encouragement they have long craved.

If the original purpose of the Conference is to be safe-guarded and conserved, it would seem that there should be a more pronounced attitude of antagonism to unionism than has made itself apparent since the action of 1907. It cannot be denied that the Lutherans of the Prussian Union, however sound they may be confessionally as individuals, are too much entangled with unionism to make their confessionalism count for the ultimate good of the Lutheran Church. They are bound ecclesiastically in such manner as to make them confessionally powerless. Besides, there is good reason to believe that they have worn their ecclesiastical fetters so long as to have become accustomed to them, and hence are incompetent to lead a movement that contradicts what they tamely submit to. So long as they lack the courage to make an earnest, consistent attempt to break their fetters, they necessarily disqualify themselves for leadership in the

General Conference which has that end in view. It seems clear that the General Council cannot approve of the status which has been given the Union Lutherans by the action of 1907 without stultifying itself. Whether that action was the best possible way of counteracting the unionistic tendencies of the Conference or not, the fact remains that it has been taken. It was, moreover, confessionally sound and stands as a testimony of the General Council's attitude toward unionism and must be defended; for it can hardly countenance unionism abroad and condemn it at home.

In view of the action taken by the General Council in 1909 and of the Council's whole past attitude toward unionism, your delegate is persuaded that nothing remains to be done but to defend that action. As no opportunity for doing this before the Engere Konferenz, the only body competent to give the matter due consideration, presented itself, it would seem proper that further effort in that direction should be made. While a brief answer in the nature of an assurance has been communicated through President Dr. Ihmels by the Engere Konferenz, it is general in character and does not touch the matter at issue in a thorough-going way. The Council has spoken explicitly and the answer should be explicit.

It is desirable also that there should be a clearer understanding on the part of the General Council as to the real significance of the change made in the constitution of the General Conference in 1907 and of its ultimate effect upon the aims and purposes of that organization. Besides, it is a grave question as to whether it can maintain itself as a compact organization with certain clearly defined legislative functions; for whatever powers may be vested in its constitution, there is comparatively little legislation of a definite character enacted. It seems very much like a free conference and could readily dispense with a hard and fast constitution that looks toward an organization in the future with considerable legislative solidarity. The General Council's suggestion, in the action of 1909, would therefore seem to be much in place, as it would remove the offense of having the Prussian Union State Church organically recognized by the General Conference, at least morally, if not legally. It is certain that the relation of the General Council to the General Conference should receive thorough-going consideration, as not a few questions of considerable importance are involved in that relationship, and an extended conference between one or more officials or delegates from the General Council and the Engere Konferenz would seem to be called for.

Your delegate would not favor breaking off relations with the General Conference, at least not until it shall have been made entirely clear that the status of the General Council with that body has been seriously impaired by the constitutional change in 1907, as has thus far seemed to be the case. The ecclesiastical situation in Germany is such as to call for large sympathy with the struggles and limitations of the pastors of the Prussian Union who are confessionally sound but feel helpless to effect a change they are sincerely longing for. There is at present a strong feeling in Germany that the day for the emancipation of the Church from

state domination is not far distant, and there is hope that confessionalism, so much disparaged at present, will again grow into favor. This is an added reason why a thorough-going effort should be made to clarify and improve the present situation as touching upon the relations between the General Council and the General Conference. As the delegate has met with the General Council's committee on foreign relations, of which he is a member, and is in accord with the recommendations offered to this Council by it, he has no specific recommendations of his own to bring to the attention of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. SANDT.

The Rev. Dr. Frick presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS WORK IN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

Your Committee, with headquarters at Minneapolis, has had several meetings during the biennium. Religious conditions and religious work at Universities and Colleges were carefully studied and discussed. Arrangements for the publication of various circulars and the necessary plans for conducting the work were made.

Situation Urgent.—The urgency of the situation is seen in the abnormal growth of the enrollment in American State Universities. By decades it is as follows: 1870, 6,694; 1880, 10,000; 1890, 22,816; 1900, 45,417; 1910, 101,285. Thus it more than doubled each decade for thirty years, and in 1912 leaped to a total of 131,134. Secularism has been rampant, but the Christian Church (not only all the Protestant churches, but the Church of Rome also) has awakened to the danger, and it is with a feeling of great satisfaction that we note the great progress made in religious work among students at schools not under direct Church control.

During the past two years many new University centers have been entered, and portions of the Christian Church hitherto indifferent have set themselves to the task of occupying strategic points.

General Results.—We give these in a quotation from the report rendered by a denomination which employs a special secretary for university work, ten university pastors giving their entire time and fourteen others giving part time. The Ninety-fourth Annual Report of the Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church, rendered at Atlanta, May, 1913, says: "The year just closing has been the best in the history of this work of the Church for her students in the State-supported institutions of higher learning. Some of the results can be reported, but for the most part the effects are not such as can be set down in statistics. The Church has undertaken to follow with Christian influences

her sons and daughters wherever they may go in pursuit of life's equipment, and she is succeeding. The work has already increased the interest in Christian education in and about the State universities, quickened the spiritual life of multitudes of students, improved the morale of the student body, added to the efficiency of the churches in university centres, and of the churches to which students go after graduation, and has brought many students to a decision for Christ and for a life of Christian service. We are profoundly grateful to God for this evidence of His blessing upon the enterprise."

Review of Our Past Efforts.—Into this great work our Church has not been the first to enter, nor has it been the last, but surely it did not enter any too soon. The importance of conserving the faith of those who are bound to become leaders in society and the State as well as conserving these leaders to their own Evangelical Lutheran Church (now strenuously engaged in asserting itself in American life through the medium of the dominant language) looms ever larger with careful observation and closer study.

This work in the General Council began in 1909 with the appointment of a committee by the English Synod of the Northwest (G. C. Min., 1909, p. 46). On President Schmauk's recommendation, p. 12, supplemented by the urgent argument of the English Home Mission Board, p. 109, the General Council appointed its Committee on Student Life in non-Lutheran Schools, to consist of seven clergymen and five laymen. The Council, however, was to be involved in no expense. Their first report (Min., 1911, pp. 240-2) showed a brave beginning. From the inception of the work, April 6, 1910, to September 1, 1911, we note

Receipts	$618.68
Expenditures	564.78
Balance	$ 53.90

There was then a shortage of about $800, chiefly arrears on the salary of the Student Pastor at Madison. This was, in large part, paid up during this biennium.

Work During the Biennium.—Before giving a survey of the work to which our Committee confines itself, we desire to call attention to the recent extension of this phase of Church work both east and west. The English Synod of New York and New England called the Rev. Samuel G. Trexler, of Brooklyn, as its Student Pastor for the five institutions on its field, to wit, the Universities of Cornell, Columbia, Syracuse, Yale, and Harvard. The Synod's current minutes, page 49, show his activity for the first five months of his incumbency. His report is most stimulating. The amount expended was $825. Efforts have also been made in the city of Philadelphia to reach the student population particularly in the University of Pennsylvania, but we find no reference to the matter in the Synodical Minutes. In the Pacific Northwest the Rev. Prof. P. H. W. Frederick made a beginning by a hasty canvass of the great Uni-

versity of Washington, at Seattle, an institution having 2,800 students. Another section of our Church has endeavored to reach the students at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N. D.

Recurring to the work carried on under the direction of your Committee, both at the University of Wisconsin, with the Rev. Howard R. Gold in charge, and at the University of Minnesota, with the Rev. Gustaf Rast, D.D., in charge, we may state that it has been abundantly blessed during the biennium and promises great things for our Church,—if supported throughout the whole of the coming biennium as during the latter half of the closing one.

At Madison.—Reception to Lutheran students. Adult Bible Class conducted one year by a professor, the next by a law student. Addresses and musical assistance by university professors and instructors. Addresses by Revs. Paul W. Roth and L. M. Kuhns to the Luther League, two-thirds of whom are students. Rev. Mr. Gold visits constantly among the students. Co-operated in conducting Summer School of Religion, at which Dr. Frick delivered an address on "The Permanence of the Reformation." Attended Conference of Church Workers at Iowa State University, Feb. 6, 1912, and was elected vice-president. Taught Bible Classes at the Y. M. C. A., and presented the Student Work in churches in the East and the West. What is most needed at Madison is a representative church building on the commodious site purchased near the university. The result of the canvass for funds for such a church among the student body shows how heartily they appreciate our work for them.

At Minneapolis.—Student Pastor, Rev. Dr. Rast, reports that over 500 Lutheran students are known to be in attendance at the university every year. About three-fifths of them are residents of the Twin Cities. The rest come from the country, and room mostly in close vicinity to the university. During the year 1912, Dr. Rast gave some lectures on Bible topics. At the opening of the last university year, he arranged a reception for students at which addresses were made by Drs. L. A. Johnston, A. F. Elmquist and others. He devotes his time to personal visits among the students, impressing upon them the importance of Bible study, and of attending divine services in the Lutheran Church. Some of the students attend his services and have taken part in his Sunday-school work. There is need here also of a better church edifice, and, if possible, a Guild House.

In 1911, the General Council laid an apportionment of $3,500 per annum on the Synods, but, by comparing the figures on page 310, Minutes 1911, with the following financial statement, it will be seen that but one Synod reached the figure set, and that the total receipts were but slightly more than one-third of the amount voted. Inasmuch as the Synods did not accept and act on the apportionment until nine months after the Council meeting, it will be seen under what enormous difficulties we have labored. The receipts include contributions from individuals and congregations, whether paid through the Synodical Treasurers or not,

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance on hand September 1, 1911		$53 90
Receipts during the biennium:		
From the English Synod of the Northwest	$986 14	
" Augustana Synod	700 00	
" Pittsburgh Synod	425 93	
" District Synod of Ohio	177 65	
" Chicago Synod	156 30	
" Ministerium of Pennsylvania	15 53	
" New York and New England Synod	14 39	
" New York Ministerium	3 08	
		$2,479 02
Total		$2,532 92
Expenditures during the biennium:		
To Rev. Howard R. Gold, salary	$1,485 00	
To Rev. Gustaf Rast, D.D., salary	900 00	
For expenses	103 19	
		$2,488 19
Balance, September 1, 1913		$ 44 73

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have audited the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Committee on Religious Work in Universities and Colleges from Sept. 1, 1911, to September 1, 1913, and find them correct and in accordance with receipts produced for our inspection.

ERLAND LIND,
A. A. STOMBERG,
Auditing Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That this work be commended by this Body to the respective Synods represented for their more hearty cooperation and support.
2. That other University centers be occupied wherever and whenever possible.
3. That the work at all University centers so occupied be unified under the direction of one Committee.
4. That a course of lectures by two prominent men of our Church be arranged in order to bring our Church before the student bodies of the respective University centers.

For the Committee.

WILLIAM K. FRICK, *Chairman.*

The report, with its recommendations, was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. Dr. Hunton presented the

REPORT OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK COMMITTEE

(1) We recommend the establishing of a Normal Quarterly for use in the training of teachers, beginning with next Advent.

(2) We recommend the issue of "Sunbeams" and "Sunshine," the Wonderland and Workland bi-weekly papers for children as weeklies at a slight advance in price, beginning with next Advent.

(3) Your Committee, further, in response to the action of the General Synod inviting cooperation in the origination of a Common Lutheran Sunday-school System, and the request of the Chairman of its Sunday-school Literature Committee, that our Sunday-school Work Committee join in this cooperation, and, also, in response to the request of the United Synod of the South for cooperation in the preparation of a Common Sunday-school Literature for Lutheran Sunday-schools, reports, that, as a matter of fact, we already have an extensively developed and established system of Sunday-school literature of high grade in our Graded System for Sunday-schools, which we have originated, developed, and established, which is the pioneer in this field, which has been secured only at great cost of time, labor, energy, and expense, which experience has shown to be of acknowledged high scholarship, eminence, and adaptability to the needs of Sunday-school scholars, which is of great commercial value, and in which established property rights and publication interests are involved, that should not be surrendered or compromised, except for something of clearly higher excellence and value, and subject to the proper protection of our established property rights and publication interests.

We, therefore recommend, that we can only enter upon a cooperative effort, such as is proposed, upon the following basis:

1. That we be given due recognition and credit for the work we have already established.

2. That this work be made the basis and starting point for further origination and development in this field.

3. That all existing property rights and publication interests be fully and effectively safeguarded and protected.

4. That all future property rights and publication interests which shall arise out of the fruits and results of such proposed cooperative action, shall be clearly defined and equitably distributed.

5. That a definite plan be devised and agreed upon, which shall embrace and cover all the foregoing points, and shall, in addition, define the lines along which and the scope within which, the further origination and development of this work shall proceed; and that this plan, when devised and agreed upon, shall be embodied in a legal agreement which shall fully cover all the above points; and that this plan and agreement shall be presented to a duly convened convention of each General Luth-

eran body which shall enter into such cooperative action, and if adopted, shall be duly authorized to be legally executed and delivered by the proper officers of each such General Lutheran body, and each such convention of said respective General bodies shall duly and irrevocably authorize its proper committee or sub-committee on Sunday-school Work and Literature, and their successors, to join in such proposed cooperative action in accordance with and subject to the terms and provisions of said agreement and plan.

6. We therefore recommend that our Sunday-school Work Committee, or a sub-committee of its membership, be authorized to meet and confer with similar committees or sub-committees of other recognized General Lutheran bodies which may desire to enter into such joint cooperative action, for the purpose of considering the aforesaid points and the devising of a plan and agreement, as aforesaid, to cover the same; and report to the next Convention of this Council.

(4) *Resolved,* That we recognize the necessity of a Juvenile monthly paper to meet the needs of the children from Pictureland to Bible History grades, and recommend the establishemnt of such a paper.

(5) That the Committee on Sunday-school work be and is hereby instructed to continue the preparation, and the Publication Board the publication, of all Sunday-school apparatus now in use, and that the Board of Publication pay the same amounts, at the same times as heretofore, to the committee for expenses, as provided for by the Council in past years.

(6) That the action of the Council, authorizing the Committee to publish such other literature as in the judgment of the Committee will prove financially justifiable, be reaffirmed.

(7) That the action of the Council, two years ago, giving the Committee authority to make such changes in all new editions of its apparatus as it may deem advisable, be reaffirmed.

(8) That the issue of the joint Sunday-school paper be continued, and that the Committee and Board be authorized to unite with the publishing houses of other Lutheran bodies in continuing the issue of such a paper, upon terms clear and explicit, each Committee and Board to keep its issue strictly under its own control.

Respectfully submitted,

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK COMMITTEE.

The Report with its Recommendations was adopted as a whole.

The President had appointed a Committee on English Conference.

Committee on English Conference.—The Revs. H. A. Weller, Dr. E. F. Keever, Dr. G. H. Gerberding, E. F. Ritter, A. J. Reichert, M. J. Bieber, G. E. Schlegelmilch, Esq., and Mr. W. H. Hager.

The Rev. Mr. Ritter presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENGLISH CONFERENCE

A well-attended conference of those interested in the English work of the General Council was held on the afternoon preceding the convention of the General Council, in St. Matthew's Church, Wednesday, September 10th, from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. A very satisfactory and instructive discussion, pertaining to the matters to come before the Council, of special interest to those present, was held.

H. A. Weller, *Chairman.*
E. F. Ritter, *Secretary.*

The report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gehr it was

Resolved, That the Press Committee become a standing committee.

The Rev. Dr. Seegers presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE LUTHERAN EDITOR'S PROPOSITION

The Committee appointed, at the request of the Editor of *The Lutheran,* on behalf of said paper, recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That the proposition submitted to this Committee by the Editor of *The Lutheran,* namely, the propriety of publishing, in addition to *The Lutheran,* a dollar weekly of a more simple and popular character, be read.

2. That the said proposition be referred to a special commission, consisting of five persons appointed by the President of the General Council, the Editor of *The Lutheran,* and the Board of Publication, which commission shall have full power and authority to issue (prepare and publish) a smaller, cheaper, and more popular weekly paper than *The Lutheran* paper, if, in their judgment, such a paper is feasible and desirable; and also to make such changes in the size and character of *The Lutheran* as may seem to them advisable.

3. That in view of the great value to the Church of *The Lutheran,* the organ of the General Council, a subscription of at least 20,000 be set before our people as a goal worthy of their best efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

The Committee.

The Editor's proposition was read and was made the special order for the next convention.

The report with its recommendations was then adopted.

REPORTS OF OFFICIAL VISITORS

TO THE UNITED SYNOD OF THE SOUTH

To the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

As your representative it was my privilege and pleasure to attend the Convention of the United Synod South which was held in the Church of the Redeemer, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 12-16, 1912. The reception accorded me, officially and personally, was markedly cordial and warm.

The Convention will prove epochal in the history of this active and aggressive Body. Extensive and far-reaching plans were outlined. All of the activities of the Church, Home, and Foreign Missions, Church Extension, Theological Seminary, Publication Interests, etc., received thoughtful and prayerful consideration.

The invitation extended by your representative, upon the authority of the President of the General Council, to unite with us in the proper commemoration of the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation was accepted, and the Rev. J. A. Morehead, D.D., was authorized to act for the Body. The next Convention will be held in Columbia, S. C., the home of the Theological Seminary and the Publication House.

The Rev. W. H. Greever, D.D., Editor of the *Lutheran Church Visitor* is the regularly appointed delegate to represent the United Synod in this Convention.

Reading, Pa. JNO. C. SEEGERS.

TO THE GENERAL SYNOD

Mr. President:—As Official Visitor to the General Synod at Atchison, Kan., I would report, that it was my privilege to attend the sessions of that body during the two last days of the convention, May 20th and 21st. My reception was in every respect most cordial. Before my arrival three important actions were taken that are of special interest to the Geneal Council.

One was the resolution of that body not to accede to the plan of partition of mission territory as recommended by the Joint Commission of the General Council and General Synod. This action was in reality suggested by the General Synod members of that Commission because the Home Mission Board refused to be bound by such an agreement and because it was foreseen that the General Synod as a body would not endorse it. It was explained to your Visitor, that this did not imply a disposition on the part of the General Synod to dissolve the mission compact existing between the two bodies, but only a refusal to accept the interpretation of its broad territorial scope which obtains within the General Council. It was further explained that the agreement was not entirely satisfactory to many within the General Council itself and more or less offensive to other Lutheran bodies in the West, and the hope was expressed that further negotiations on a fresh basis might be continued with the General Council.

I did not feel called upon to enter into the merits of the question in my official address before that body after their action had been taken, but expressed the hope that, whatever the difficulties involved in the mission compact might be, the principle would be adhered to and a satisfactory understanding reached. In private conference with members of the Commission, I deprecated the breaking down of large boundary lines tacitly agreed to up to the present, and established in actual practice, and expressed the fear that the whole scheme of mission cooperation would fall to the ground if those lines were to be obliterated.

Another action of considerable importance was the hearty endorsement of the report of the Sunday-school Committee (of which Dr. Dunbar, of Baltimore, is Chairman), in which a breaking away from the International System of graded and other lessons is recommended and cooperation with other Lutheran bodies advised with a view to the preparation of a common Sunday-school literature soundly Lutheran in spirit and teaching.

A third action pertains to the observance of the quarto-centennial of the Reformation in 1917. Efforts are to be made to secure the cooperation of other Lutheran bodies, and a Committee for this purpose has been appointed whose duty it shall be not only to encourage joint celebrations among Lutherans, but to correspond with other denominations with a view to securing a pan-Protestant observance of the event. One of the features of the celebration is to be the raising of a $1,000,000 endowment fund for education. In my address as Official Visitor, I made known the request of the President of the General Council, that the General Synod appoint a Committee to cooperate with similar ones from the General Council and the United Synod South already appointed, in order that a joint celebration of this important anniversary might be arranged.

Two other actions of far-reaching importance were taken at this meeting. One was the endorsement of *"Lutheran Church Work,"* edited by a Committee during the past year, as the official organ of the General Synod. A special day in the year is to be designated in the calendar when united efforts are to be made to increase the circulation of this paper and a column in the parochial table is to be set apart to register its circulation in the various congregations.

The other action of importance was the testimony given by this body, as over against the reigning rationalistic theology, in the form of a resolution, which is a brief declaration that this body repudiates the teachings and the claims of the negative critics and declares its adherence "to all our Evangelical Doctrines as set forth in the inspired Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, and the unaltered Augsburg Confession."

Opportunity was given me on Tuesday afternoon, May 20th, to present the greetings of the General Council to this body. By a reference to the controversies of the past and their fruits and to the succeeding efforts looking toward intercourse, association, and cooperation between the two bodies which has tended to bring them toward closer doctrinal unity, the way was prepared to emphasize the common responsibility that falls to their lot, to develop a pure and consistent Lutheranism in American form,

and the demand made upon the Lutheran Church in this country to bear strong and united testimony against Romanism, rationalism and unionism. The President, Dr. Yarger, suffering from some slight indisposition, called upon Dr. Bauslin to make the response, and it gives me pleasure to state that rarely have I heard words of more earnest and heartfelt devotion to the old Reformation faith than fell from his lips.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. SANDT.

TO THE IOWA SYNOD

The Official Visitor to the German Iowa Synod reports that he attended the meeting of that body held at Oshkosh, Wis., June 26-30. It was a convention of delegates, one out of six of the clerical members of Synod. The Faculties of the Schools of the Synod were represented. One hundred and fifty-seven clergymen were on the roll and 150 lay delegates were present. Your delegate was cordially received by President, Dr. Richter, and the whole body, who did their utmost to make him feel at home; and he will cherish the recollection of kind and interesting friends made during this visit. A convention of representatives of English congregations of the Synod had been held the day before the Synod, but of this he had no notice. The proceedings of the Synod were carried on in the German; but we discovered that there is English preaching in 267 congregations, in 143 of which it is customary; there being 18 organized English congregations, and 41 in which English service is held every Sunday. Thirty of these have services on Sunday morning. In 60 congregations the Church Book is in use. In 44 Sunday-schools the General Council's Graded System is employed. Purely English Catechetical instruction is given in 115 congregations. Three pastors are reported as doing all their official work in English; 40 as doing the greatest part of it in that tongue; and 13 more, about half of it. I report this as a matter of especial interest to the Council.

The principal matter discussed and decided was a resolution to proceed to an expenditure of $100,000 upon new buildings for the Theological Seminary, either at Dubuque or another place, there being little doubt that the decision will be to remain at Dubuque. For the Seminary an additional professor is sought.

The President reported negotiations with the Joint Synod of Ohio, which were interrupted by the Joint Synod's accusations against the General Council, with which the Iowa Synod is in fellowship. The Iowa Synod resolved to report these accusations to the General Council. The Joint Synod also had given offense to the Iowa Synod in a matter reported by the President.

The Iowa Synod seemed to me to appreciate its fellowship with the General Council; and earnestly desires to bring the other Lutheran bodies in this country into mutual confidence and cooperation on the basis on which both bodies stand. Great satisfaction was expressed at the answer

given by the General Council at Lancaster to questions raised by the Augustana Synod.

The contributions to the support of the schools of the Synod during the past year were larger than ever before. During the past three years $50,000 have been contributed to the Neuendettelsau Mission in New Guinea. A Missionsfest was held on Sunday afternoon of the convention. Rev. E. H. Rausch, of Waverly, Ia., was nominated to represent the Iowa Synod at this convention of the General Council.

On the second day an acute and comprehensive paper on the Catechism was read by Dr. Reu, which was ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

The published Minutes of the Synod may present other action of interest to this body.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD T. HORN, *Official Visitor.*

TO THE ICELANDIC SYNOD

On account of the serious and prolonged sickness of the President of the Swedish Augustana Synod, who was the chosen representative of the General Council to the Icelandic Synod, the undersigned alternate was requested to go in his place.

The Synod met in the little town of Mountain, Pembina County, North Dakota. Your delegate was met at Edinburg, the nearest railroad station, and was swiftly rolled over the nine miles in a fine touring car. As over two-thirds of the active ministers of the Synod are graduates of the Chicago Seminary your delegate received a most hearty welcome and soon felt at home in this body, whose official language he did not understand.

The Synod is peculiar in its makeup. While there are only fifteen ministers the convention is not as small as one might infer. The voting lay delegates outnumber the ministers many times. Not only the pastoral charge, but each congregation sends delegates in proportion to its members. Your delegate was interested and surprised to see what a free and outspoken part these laymen took in the discussions, which sometimes waxed warm and again convulsed the Synod with laughter. A goodly number of these laymen belonged to the learned professions. Teachers, editors, lawyers, members of legislature and parliament and prospective governors were among them, as well as bonanza farmers and merchant princes.

The Synod occupied itself largely with the task of gathering and ministering to its scattered people, improving its periodicals, and furnishing more popular literature. The question of an increased ministry also received a large share of earnest discussion.

It was decided to open an institution of higher learning in Winnipeg this fall, and Prof. R. Marteinsson was chosen as its head. This is a much needed and important forward step.

As is well known this little Synod of fifteen active ministers, about forty congregations, and four thousand communicants, has been passing

through a serious struggle with liberalism and unbelief. An ex-President, one of the founders and leaders of the Synod, had filled himself full of the liberal and rationalistic German and Danish theology and philosophy. He had imbibed, unconsciously at first, their negative and destructive principles. He hailed with delight the "New Theology" of Reginald Campbell of London, and began to preach it and to disseminate it in the official organ of the Synod which he edited and in secular periodicals. The Synod and its congregations were troubled and torn. Your delegate found no small joy in the fact that the ten graduates of the Chicago Seminary not only stood as a united wall of defence for the old Lutheran faith but contributed no insignificant part to the literary defense in the discussion that raged throughout the Synod's borders. The leader of the heresy had to leave the Synod. Division came into a number of congregations. A few liberalistic preachers were imported from Iceland. A property test case was tried in a North Dakota court. The judge gave a strong and clear decision to the effect that the liberals were not Lutherans and had no right to the property of Lutherans.

The oppositon is weakening and dwindling. Earnest souls are finding out that they cannot live on negations. The Synod is regaining its strength. It has been purified by the fires. A tone of earnest consecration pervades the body. It believes that it has a mission. Its eyes are towards the future.

Your delegate brought the greetings of the General Council and in a lengthy address tried to show what is the mission of the Lutheran Church in this land, and what part the General Council has taken, is taking and must take in the future to fulfill this mission. He invited the Synod most earnestly to consider whether the time had not come to make formal application for membership in the General Council.

After a hearty and cordial response by Prof. Marteinsson, your delegate requested that questions might be asked by members of the Synod as to the General Council and membership in it. For over half an hour he was kept busy answering questions from ministers and laymen.

At a later session the Synod resolved:

1. That the delegate of the General Council be requested to bear to his body the hearty greetings of the Icelandic Synod, and its appreciation of the presence of the delegate from that body.

2. That the question of joining the General Council be referred to the careful consideration of Synod during the ensuing year.

3. That the Rev. G. Guttormsson be requested to publish articles in the Synod's organ, and otherwise inform our people on all matters pertaining to the General Council.

GEORGE H. GERBERDING.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Gerberding it was unanimously

Resolved, That the English Recording Secretary be instructed from time to time to communicate to the Rev. Mr. Guttormsson, of the Icelandic Synod, items of interest and importance concerning the General Council.

The reports were received and ordered to be spread on the Minutes.

The Rev. Dr. Brandelle, for the Committee on Documents reported. (See Second Session.)

The Rev. Mr. Roeder presented the Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, whereupon it was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Pfatteicher,

Resolved, That the officers of the General Council be authorized to strike from 1911 Report of Unfinished Business all items directly or indirectly disposed of at this Convention.

The Unfinished Business has virtually been disposed of, except the items under Synodical and General, information concerning which is difficult to secure.

The Rev. Dr. Ramer presented a resolution touching a Slav Church Extension Fund. (See Fifth Session.)

REPORT OF ARCHIVIST

The effort to secure complete files of Minutes from the Secretaries of the various Synods was continued, and a considerable number of copies have been received. In order that the missing numbers may be supplied, it may be well to give the record of copies received up to date:

General Council Minutes:—1874, 1883, 1888, 1901, 1903, 1905, 1907, 1909, 1911.

Pennsylvania Ministerium:—1843; Minutes complete from 1889 to 1907 were presented by Mrs. O. P. Smith, of Pottstown. Minutes up to date, with the exception of 1909, are also at hand.

New York Ministerium:—The only copies received are for the years 1908, 1909, 1911, 1912.

Pittsburgh Synod:—The only copies missing are for the years 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1881, 1882, 1912, 1913.

District Synod of Ohio:—Copies on hand for 1830, 1832, 1833, 1839, 1844, 1847, 1848, 1849, 1852, 1867, 1869, 1882, 1884, 1885, 1893, 1894, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1902 up to date.

Canada Synod (German):—On hand, 1868, 1875, 1880, 1885, to 1892, 1894, to 1899, 1901 to 1905, 1907 to date.

Indiana Synod (now Chicago):—1871 to 1895 in bound form.

Chicago Synod:—1901, 1903, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1911, 1912.

Synod of Northwest:—1891 to 1911 complete.

New York and New England Synod:—1902 to 1911 complete.

Pacific Synod:—1901 to 1913 complete.

Nova Scotia:—1910 missing.

Central Canada:—Complete.

Manitoba:—No Minutes.

The Archivist requests that the Council call attention to the importance of having the files completed at an early date.

He acknowledges the receipts of a valuable file of copies of *The Lutheran* from its earlier history down to the eighties from the Rev. Dr. H. W. Roth, of Greenville, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. SANDT.

The report was spread on the Minutes.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Kunzmann it was

Resolved, That one-half of the expenses of the Nova Scotia Synod delegate and of the Pacific Synod delegation be paid.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gehr it was

Resolved, That our Press Committee be instructed heartily to thank the Toledo Press.

The Rev. A. P. Saeter offered the following:

Resolved, That the General Council put itself on record as to its position with reference to the reading of the Bible in the public schools.

This motion was referred to a committee to report at the next convention.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Executive Committee appoint a Committee to confer with the Women's Federation of Missions with reference to time and place of next meeting, etc.

The Rev. Dr. J. C. Seegers was appointed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hunton, it was

Resolved, That the President be authorized to appoint the Official Visitors and the remaining Standing Committees within a month.

For all committees not incorporated in the Minutes, consult the Index and the Lists of Committees.

2,750 copies of the Minutes are to be printed.

The Minutes of the Closing Session were read and adopted.

At 12:30 noon of the sixth day of the Convention, the General Council adjourned, with the singing of "A Mighty Fortress is Our God," and the Order for Closing of Synods.

"Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

"That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."—John 17:20, 21.

WILLIAM KELLER FRICK,

English Recording Secretary.

SPECIAL SERVICES AND MEETINGS

German Conference at Erie, Pa., Tuesday, September 9.

English Conference at St. Matthew's, Toledo, O., Wednesday, Sept. 10.

Thursday Morning, Sept. 11.—Opening Service.

Morning service, preceded by the Confessional Service. Conducted by the Vice-presidents and Secretaries of the General Council.

Sermon by the President, the Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D. Text, John 14:6. Theme, "Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life."

Administration of the Lord's Supper.

HOME MISSION SERVICES

Thursday Evening, Sept. 11.

General Council Mission Service, in charge of the Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D., of Milwaukee.

Opening service conducted by the Rev. M. J. Bieber, of Toronto, Canada, closing service by the Rev. Geo. Drach, General Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

"English Home Missions," by the Rev. John E. Whitteker, D.D., Lancaster, Pa., President of the Board.

"Missions in India," by the Rev. Calvin F. Kuder, of Rajahmundry, India.

"Swedish and Swedish-English Home Missions," by the Rev. Gustaf A. Brandelle, D.D., Vice-president of the Board of Swedish Home Missions.

"Slav Mission Work," by the Rev. Adam L. Ramer, Ph.D., Superintendent.

Friday Afternoon, Sept. 12, 4 P. M.—Laymen's Conference.

Friday Evening, Sept. 12.—Laymen's Mass Meeting.

In charge of Frank O. Foster, Esq., of Toledo.

"A National View of the Lutheran Church in America," by Prof. Andrew Kempe, of Augustana College, Rock Island.

"Awaking the Laymen to their Responsibility for Social Service in Community, State, and Nation," by the Rev. J. A. W. Haas, D.D., President of Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa.

"A General Council Ministerial Pension Fund a Vital Necessity," by Mr. Jacob K. Jensen, Janesville, Wis., Treasurer of the English Synod of the Northwest.

"Co-operation Among Lutheran Laymen," by Hon. Frank M. Riter, of the Civil Service Commission, Philadelphia, Pa.

"A Fitting Celebration of the Quadri-Centennial 1917," by the President of the General Council.

Sunday Morning, Sept. 14.—St. Matthew's Sunday-school.

Addresses to the Sunday-school by the Rev. H. Brezing, of Niagara Falls, N. Y.; the Rev. Frisby D. Smith, of Tokyo, Japan; the Rev. Dr.

William L. Hunton, Editor of "Young Folks"; the Rev. Edmund Belfour, D.D., of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mr. Albert T. Baker, of Zanesville, O.

Sunday Morning, Sept. 14.—Divine Service in St. Matthew's Church.

Service read by the Rev. I. Chantry Hoffman and the Rev. Gustavus A. Bierdemann, D.D.

Sermon by the Rev. Prof. Edward T. Horn, D.D., LL.D., of the Philadelphia Theological Seminary.

Sunday Afternoon, Sept. 14th, 3 P. M.—The Convocation of Toledo and Other Ohio Lutherans, at Memorial Hall. In charge of President Schmauk.

(1) "Lutheranism's Message to the Twentieth Century," by the Rev. John C. Seegers, D.D., Reading, Pa.

(2) "The Council's German Home Mission Problem and Opportunity," by the Rev. C. Reinhold Tappert, Berlin, Ontario, Canada.

(3) "A General Council View of the Church and Its World-wide Opportunity," by the Rev. William K. Frick, D.D., Milwaukee, Wis.

(4) "A United and Wisely Planned English Home Mission Work," by the Rev. Asbjorn C. Anda, of Wicker Park Church, Chicago, Ill.

(5) "Loyalty to the Causes of the Church," by the Rev. Gottlieb C. Berkemeier, D.D., of Wartburg Orphans' Home, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

(6) "The Responsibility of Lutherans as Christians to the Church, the Community and the Country," by the Rev. Frederick A. Kaehler, D.D., Holy Trinity Church, Buffalo, N. Y.

("Ein Feste Burg" sung in German, Swedish and English.)

Sunday Evening, Sept. 14.—Sermon by the Rev. Prof. John A. W. Haas, D.D., President of Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa.

Monday Evening, Sept. 15.—General Council Mission Service, in charge of the Rev. F. A. Kaehler, D.D., of Buffalo. Opening service by the Rev. James F. Beates. Closing by the Rev. C. H. Little.

"Inner Missions," by the Rev. Jeremiah F. Ohl, Mus.D., Philadelphia City Missionary.

"Mission Work in Japan," by the Rev. Frisby D. Smith, Tokyo, Japan.

"Immigrant Mission Work," by the Rev. Fritz O. Evers, Immigrant Missionary at the Port of New York.

"Porto Rico Missions," by the Rev. Alfred Ostrom, San Juan, Porto Rico.

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17	1884	Monroe, Mich.	Adol. Spaeth, D.D.	S. L. Harkey, D.D.	Rev. F. W. Weiskotten	W. H. Staake, Esq	10	47	19	66
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25	1895	Easton, Pa.	E. F. Moldehnke, D.D.	Rev. W. K. Frick	Rev. J. Nicum, D.D	W. H. Staake, Esq	8	65	42	107
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CONFERENCES.				
1. English	Rev. C. F. W. Stoever	Rev. Theodore Schoenberg	Rev. T. Schoenberg	
2. German	Rev. C. F. Boehner	Rev. W. R. Kraxberger	Mr. Henry Baars	
XI. New York and New England Synod.	Rev. E. F. Keever, D.D.	Rev. Howard E. Snyder	Mr. Fred J. Walter, 115 Spring St., Kingston, N. Y.	Church of Redeemer, Utica, New York.
CONFERENCES.				
1. Eastern	Rev. C. Intermann	Rev. A. L. Benner	Rev. A. L. Benner	
2. Western	Vacant	Rev. F. C. Martin	Rev. F. C. Martin	
XII. Nova Scotia Synod.	Rev. C. H. Little	Rev. J. F. Bermon	Rev. W. E. Buchholtz, Mahone Bay	
CONFERENCES.				
1. Northern	Rev. W. E. Buchholtz	Rev. C. H. Little	Rev. G. B. Pifer	
2. Southern	Rev. W. M. Weaver	Rev. J. F. Bermon	Rev. J. F. Bermon	
XIII. Central Canada.	Rev. J. Maurer	Rev. C. A. Dennig	Mr. C. H. Fierheller, No. 4 Howard St. Toronto, Ont.	July 1.
CONFERENCES.				
1. Eastern	Rev. L. M. McCreery	Rev. J. J. Clemens	Rev. J. J. Clemens	

8. STATISTICAL REPORT OF SYNODS AND INSTITUTIONS

DISTRICT SYNODS, 1912

	SYNOD.	Organized.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Members.	Property Value.	Local Expenses.	Benevolence.	SCHOOLS. Parochial.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Sunday.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.
1	Ministerium of Pennsylvania	1748	396	573	157,844	$ 8,550,357	$ 924,957	$132,260 00	36	75	2,170	602	11,316	104,417
2	Ministerium of New York	1773	153	155	60,000	4,599,699	466,235	45,955 42	84	45	3,471	200	3,283	34,008
3	Pittsburgh Synod	1845	150	194	31,276	2,321,722	132,258	27,949 32	...	...	.....	178	1,548	14,082
4	District Synod of Ohio	1857	52	86	14,864	789,925	120,936	12,534 78	...	...	.....	82	773	9,537
5	Augustana Synod	1860	646	1,157	173,869	9,719,488	1,608,898	266,584 00	444	594	18,602	800	9,618	70,808
6	Synod of Canada	1861	42	78	13,436	500,000	67,166	11,791 51	34	21	954	61	537	4,143
7	Chicago Synod	1871	38	68	7,450	598,300	61,683	10,551 70	...	...	.....	55	.....	5,370
8	English Synod of the Northwest	1891	36	38	8,839	506,500	109,063	10,893 02	...	...	.....	38	.....	7,167
9	Manitoba Synod	1897	30	53	4,282	136,455	20,457	2,036 11	20	...	781	20	72	921
10	Pacific Synod	1901	19	20	1,705	234,250	18,069	3,601 00	2	2	35	17	149	1,216
11	Synod of New York and New England	1902	60	56	17,448	1,811,203	213,149	31,021 20	3	19	143	56	465	4,775
12	Nova Scotia Synod	1903	8	26	2,763	94,750	12,573	2,065 38	...	...	.....	21	164	1,301
13	Synod of Central Canada	1909	14	15	1,692	94,934	30,235	1,736 98	...	...	.....	15	119	893
	Total—13		1,644	2,519	495,468	$29,957,583	$3,785,679	$558,980 42	623	756	26,156	2,145	28,044	258,638

DISTRICT SYNODS, 1913

1	Ministerium of Pennsylvania	1748	407	582	154,356	$ 8,883,098	$ 970,488	$134,342 16	13	22	2,120	518	10,736	99,476
2	Ministerium of New York	1773	150	154	55,265	4,762,685	500,000	54,355 94	77	41	3,295	202	3,582	33,722
3	Pittsburgh Synod	1845	150	191	32,485	2,321,722	204,670	44,445 15	...	...	.....	131	1,936	17,350
4	District Synod of Ohio	1857	49	86	14,415	730,600	110,271	14,672 40	...	...	.....	80	1,295	9,974
5	Augustana Synod*	1860	646	1,157	173,869	9,719,488	1,608,898	266,584 00	444	594	18,602	800	9,618	70,808
6	Synod of Canada	1861	43	82	13,100	600,000	69,000	9,700 00	37	22	810	65	575	4,500
7	Chicago Synod	1871	39	68	7,356	610,200	72,915	14,675 46	...	...	.....	56	.....	6,173
8	English Synod of the Northwest	1891	35	40	9,440	562,500	97,593	10,324 20	...	...	.....	38	.....	7,038
9	Manitoba Synod	1897	33	62	4,117	136,455	15,529	2,583 00	20	...	781	20	72	921
10	Pacific Synod	1901	20	22	1,821	473,800	19,830	2,389 27	3	3	50	17	136	1,206
11	Synod of New York and New England	1902	62	58	15,792	1,895,236	293,011	35,823 22	3	10	84	58	437	4,520
12	Nova Scotia Synod	1903	8	27	2,804	100,000	12,000	2,790 00	...	...	.....	21	154	1,450
13	Synod of Central Canada	1909	13	15	1,902	158,200	20,108	2,359 60	...	...	.....	15	146	1,009
	Total—13.		1,655	2,544	486,722	$30,953,984	$3,994,313	$595,044 40	597	692	25,742	2,021	28,687	258,147

*Report of 1912.

SYNODS AND INSTITUTIONS (Continued)

EDUCATIONAL

Theological Seminaries

NAME.	Founded.	Location.	President.	Property Value.	Amount of Endowment.	Volumes in Library.	Professors.	Students.
Augustana	1860	Rock Island, Ill	Rev. G. A. Andreen, Ph.D.	.....	.....	.....	4	65
Lutheran	1864	Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Pa.	Rev. H. E. Jacobs, LL.D., S.T.D	$260,000	$252,716 52	25,000	11	49
Evangelical Lutheran	1891	Maywood, Ill	Rev. R. F. Weidner, D.D., LL.D	200,000	.....	10,000	4	38
Lutheran	1910	Portland, Ore	Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, B.D.	5,000	2,000 00	.....	4	6
Evangelical Lutheran	1911	Waterloo, Ont. Can.	Rev. E. Hoffmann, D.D.	10,000	.....	600	3	6
Total—5.				$475,000	$254,716 52	35,600	26	164

Colleges

NAME.	Founded.	Location.	President.	Property Value.	Amount of Endowment.	Volumes in Library.	Professors.	Stu. in Coll.	Stu. in Other Grades.	For Ministry.	Alumni.
Augustana (co-ed)	1860	Rock Island, Ill	Rev. G. A. Andreen, Ph.D.	$ 409,326	$ 419,327	29,500	39	125	629	...	520
Gustavus Adolphus (co)	1862	St. Peter, Minn	Rev. J. P. Uhler, Ph.D	200,000	250,000	12,000	20	125	225	...	1,100
Muhlenberg	1867	Allentown, Pa	Rev. J. A. W. Haas, D.D.	375,000	286,319	19,000	14	167	139	...	749
Thiel (co)	1870	Greenville, Pa	.....	120,000	60,000	9,000	11	66	49	27	323
Bethany (co)	1881	Lindsborg, Kan	Rev. E. F. Pihlblad, D.D.	150,000	73,553	10,000	43	104	815	24	1,480
Wagner Memorial	1883	Rochester, N. Y.	Rev. H. D. Kraeling	24,000	17,955	1,800	7	36	.....	36	126
Luther (co)	1883	Wahoo, Neb	Rev. O. J. Johnson, B.D.	62,000	5,600	3,500	15	290	.....	15	.....
Upsala (co)	1893	Kenilworth, N. J	Rev. Peter Froeberg, B.D.	75,000	.....	2,200	10	22	109	...	71
Total—8				$1,415,326	$1,112,754	87,000	159	935	1,966	102	4,369

Academies

NAME	Founded	Location	President	Property Value.	Amount of Endowment	Volumes in Library.	Teachers.	Students.	For Ministry.
Allentown Preparatory	1867	Allentown, Pa.	Prof. Frank G. Sigman	$ 40,000	.....	1,000	6	110	...
Northwestern College (co-ed)	1900	Fergus Falls, Minn	Prof. E. Jaranson	35,000	$ 10,000	500	6	159	7
Weidner Institute (co)	1900	Mulberry, Ind	Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, A.B	25,000	.....	1,000	7	57	15
Minnesota College (co)	1904	Minneapolis, Minn	Prof. Frank Nelson	102,275	.....	3,000	24	507	20
Coeur d'Alene College (co)	1907	Coeur d'Alene, Ida	Rev. J. Jesperson	80,000	.....	350	11	152	4
North Star College (co)	1908	Warren, Minn	Prof. O. E. Abrahamson	60,000	.....	2,000	7	178	...
Trinity College (co)	1909	Round Rock, Tex	Rev. J. Alf. Anderson, B.D	45,000	2,500	500	7	81	...
Lankenau School for Girls	1890	Philadelphia, Pa.	Rev. E. F. Bachmann	200,000	.....	.....	16	95	...
Total—8				$ 587,275	$ 12,500	8,350	84	1,339	46
Grand Total—23				$2,477,601	$1,379,970 52	130,950	269	4,404	312

INNER MISSION INSTITUTIONS

Orphans' Homes

NAME	Founded	Location	Superintendent	Property Value	Amount of Endowment	Inmates
Bethany	1902	Bridgewater, N. S., Can.	Rev. C. H. Little	$ 7,000	.....	16
Children's Friend	1904	Jersey City, N. J.	Rev. J. C. R. Luehrs	30,000	.....	40
Evangelical Lutheran	1859	Philadelphia, Pa	Mrs. G. C. Eisenhardt	200,000	$ 60,000	191
Evang. Luth. Kans. Conf.	1880	Cleburne, Kans	Rev. N. H. Youngberg	50,000	.....	33
Good Shepherd for Infants, etc.	1908	Allentown, Pa	Rev. J. H. Raker	35,000	.....	41
Gustavus Adolphus	1883	Jamestown, N. Y.	John S. Swensson	53,240	.....	71
Home and Farm School	1854	Zelienople, Pa	Rev. C. W. White	65,000	.....	101
Home and Farm School	1867	Andover, Ill.	Sister Ingeborg Carlberg	76,000	.....	47
Immanuel	1901	Omaha, Neb.	Rev. P. M. Lindberg	.....	.....	20
Lutheran	1891	Joliet, Ill.	Rev. E. A. Johnson	42,350	.....	100
Lutheran	1896	Topton, Pa.	Rev. J. O. Henry	65,000	.....	123
Lutheran	1906	Avon, Mass.	Amelia Rabenius	38,375	.....	43
St. John's	1864	Buffalo, N. Y.	Mr. Otto Ehlers	150,000	.....	82
Swedish Evan. Lutheran	1881	Stanton, Ia.	Mr. L. P. Olin	50,000	1,500	44
Vasa, Minn. Conf.	1865	Vasa, Minn.	Mr. O. C. Herbert	45,000	.....	65
Total—15.				$ 906,965	$ 61,500	1,017

Homes for Aged

NAME	Founded	Location	Superintendent	Property Value	Amount of Endowment	Inmates
Evangelical Lutheran	1859	Philadelphia, Pa	Mrs. G. C. Eisenhardt	.....	$ 60,000	51
Mary J. Drexel	1887	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. E. F. Bachmann	.....	.....	48
Lutheran Church Home	1896	Buffalo, N. Y	Miss Louise E. Kaehler	$ 60,000	.....	38
Nazareth	1903	Omaha, Neb	Rev. P. M. Lindberg	.....	.....	25
Bethesda, Minn. Conf	1904	Chisago City, Minn	Rev. C. A. Hultkrans	25,000	1,500	32
Salem	1905	Joliet, Ill	E. A. Johnson	53,500	.....	38
Lutheran	1906	Erie, Pa	Sister Frieda	20,000	.....	29
Lutheran	1906	Madrid, Ia	Sister Kristin Monson	18,000	.....	26
Old People's, Kans. Conf	1907	Lindsborg, Kans	Mrs. Anna Berg	20,000	8,000	16
Old People's	1907	Zelienople, Pa	Sister Kath. Foerster	55,000	.....	13
Swedish Augustana	1907	Brooklyn, N. Y	Eliz. Hammargren	21,000	.....	18
Good Shepherd	1908	Allentown, Pa	Rev. J. H. Raker	.....	.....	7
Augustana	1911	Chicago, Ill	Rev. G. K. Stark	25,000	.....	12
Total—13.				$ 297,500	$ 69,500	353

Homes for Defectives

Passavant Memorial for Epileptics	1895	Rochester, Pa	Rev. F. W. Kohler	$ 100,000	.....	72
Good Shepherd for Crippled Orphans	1908	Allentown,. Pa	Rev. J. H. Raker	.....	.....	15
Layton Home for Invalids	1908	Milwaukee, Wis	Rev. H. L. Fritschel	65,000	6,000	35
Total—3.				$ 165,000	$ 6,000	122

Hospitals

Augustana	1884	Chicago, Ill	Rev. M. Wahlstrom, Ph.D	$ 250,000	.....	2,706
Bethesda	1880	St. Paul, Minn	Rev. C. A. Hultkrans	195,000	.....	1,829
Children's	1887	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. E. F. Bachmann	.....	.....	911
Immanuel	1890	Omaha, Neb	Rev. P. M. Lindberg	.....	.....	883
Milwaukee	1863	Milwaukee, Wis	Rev. H. L. Fritschel	375,000	$ 35,000	.....
Passavant Memorial	1885	Chicago, Ill	Miss Charlotte Christian	60,000	$ 79,000	1,707
Rajahmundry, India	1910	Rajahmundry, India	.....	34,000	.....	.....
Swedish	1906	Kansas City, Mo	Rev. A. W. Lindquist, D.D	60,000	.....	914
Total—8.				$ 974,000	$114,000	8,950

Deaconess Motherhouses

NAME	Founded	Location	Superintendent	Property Value	Amount of Endowment	Inmates
Mary J. Drexel	1887	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. E. F. Bachmann	$ 600,000	.....	83
Immanunel	1890	Omaha, Neb	Rev. P. M. Lindberg	170,000	.....	48
Lutheran	1893	Milwaukee, Wis	Rev. H. L. Fritschel	30,000	.....	.....
Bethesda	1902	St. Paul, Minn	Rev. C. A. Hultkrans	20,000	.....	25
Total—4.				$ 820,000	.....	156

Hospices

Augustana Central Home	1906	Chicago, Ill	Rev. V. J. Tengwald	$ 20,000	.....	446
Bethany Home for Women	1909	St. Paul, Minn	Sister Ellen Mattson	1,000	.....	.....
German Lutheran	1912	New York, N. Y	Rev. F. O. Evers	.....	.....	.....
Immanuel Women's Home	1907	Chicago, Ill	Sister Frida Haff	22,000	.....	465
Luther	1905	Philadelphia, Pa	Rev. J. S. Schantz	50,000	.....	.....
Swed. Luth. Mission Home	1907	Chicago, Ill	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total—6.				$ 93,000	.....	911

Immigrant and Seamen's Homes

German Lutheran	1869	New York, N. Y	Rev. F. O. Evers	$ 200,000	.....	.....
Lutheran Seamen's Home	1909	Philadelphia, Pa	.....	12,000	.....	.....
Immigrant and Sailors' Home	1902	Boston, Mass	Rev. F. A. Engstrand	21,000	.....	.....
Swed. Luth. Immigrant Home	1895	New York, N. Y	Conrad Thurstone	80,000	.....	.....
Total—4.				$ 313,000	.....	.....

Miscellaneous Institutions

Augustana Nursery	1911	Chicago, Ill	Rev. V. J. Tengwald	$ 20,000	.....	72
Kensington Dispensary	1905	Philadelphia, Pa	Mrs. Adolph Woll	45,000	.....	210
Samaritan Shelter	1895	Philadelphia, Pa	Mr. F. Andreae	15,000	.....	9,370
Settlement of Inner Mission	1906	Philadelphia, Pa., 1333 Frankford Ave.	Rev. A. Hering	5,000	.....	500
Total—4.				$ 85,000	.....	10,152
Grand Total—57.				$3,654,465	$251,000	21,671

9. GENERAL COUNCIL HOME MISSIONS*

I. Supported by the Board of English Home Missions

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA

New Missions

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership.	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence.	Value of Property.
Philadelphia, Pa., (Fern Rock)	Holy Spirit	U. S. G. Bertolet	.....	.....	50	$124 97	.....	$7,550
Philadelphia, Pa., (Five Points)	Immanuel	U. S. G. Bertolet	128	42	113	701 86	$98 58	3,500
Philadelphia, Pa.	St. Simeons	K. L. Reisner	310	123	208	887 50	5 00	7,600
Philadelphia, Pa.	All Saints	F. A. Bowers	319	293	320	2,301 52	155 00	65,000
Palmerton, Pa.	Holy Trinity	Luther Coffman	126	54	90	424 88	60 09	1,050
Nesquehoning, Pa.	Zion	F. E. Reichard	93	47	92	293 22	50 29	1,000
Allentown, Pa.	St. James	C. K. Fegley	147	54	90	127 93	23 27	4,400
Lancaster, Pa.	Ascension	.....	47	19	36	31 40	.....	.....

Missions of the Ministerium

Philadelphia, Pa.	Zion's	F. W. Friday	250	110	196	793 54	128 60	8,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Memorial	J. W. H. Heintz	253	175	315	1,570 42	16313	50,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Mediator	A. C. Sumons	314	111	209	$1,227 51	$128 28	$15,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Good Shepherd	U. S. G. Bertolet	150	45	92	316 97	3 38	8,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Advocate	Vacant	206	172	253	1,219 40	174 01	10,000
Manoa, Pa.	Trinity	M. C. Horine	52	50	67	773 00	25 00	10,000
Camden, N. J.	Christ's	W. J. Huntsinger	111	93	146	848 20	24 00	4,000
Magnolia, N. J.	Trinity	W. J. Huntsinger	35	34	.....	73 59	.....	3,000
Wildwood, N. J.	Trinity	C. R. Keiter	125	48	87	941 80	86 62	11,000
Oakbrook, Pa.	Redeemer	Supply	.....	26	137	275 00	.....	1,500
Northampton Heights, Pa.	St. Matthew's	J. S. Renninger	257	89	168	388 07	62 22	4,250
E. Allentown, Pa.	St. Joseph's	P. A. Behler	360	110	299	506 88	77 12	5,000
Easton, Pa.	Colored	Vacant	18	6	28	369 00	.....	5,000
Scranton, Pa.	St. Paul's	Vacant	108	68	123	2,796 87	17 19	1,043
Sayre, Pa.	St. John's	E. M. Beysher	198	96	127	728 14	99 03	5,600
Gouldsboro, Pa.	Grace	J. F. Stolte	143	61	109	556 99	79 23	9,500
Packerton, Pa.	Zion	F. E. Reichard	188	91	126	411 82	67 70	4,600
Ricketts, Pa.	St. John's	A. L. Smith	33	31	47	268 94	72 77	1,500
Mildred, Pa.	Trinity	A. L. Smith	106	87	68	664 61	52 13	6,000
Pine Grove, Pa.	St. Peter's	A. H. Klick	50	37	158	298 00	20 50	3,600
Pine Grove, Pa.	Salem	A. H. Klick	134	100	156	394 00	25 23	10,000
Ravine, Pa.	St. Matthew's	A. H. Klick	25	18	68	110 00	8 80	1,500
Wayne Twp.	St. Mark's	A. H. Klick	29	15	71	130 00	13 47	3,000

*For Porto Rico Missions, see page 68. For Slav Missions, see page 210

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA (Continued)

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Member-ship.	Communi-cant Membership	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence	Value of Property.
Palmyra, Pa.	Palm	F. C. Krapf	150	81	130	699 75	97 63	11,500
Hershey, Pa.	Trinity	F. C. Krapf	115	38	80	254 75	34 51	1,000
Harrisburg, Pa.	Holy Communion	Vacant	220	122	126	898 82	183 81	10,000
Lancaster, Pa.	Redeemer		61	46	103	406 78		10,000
Jersey Shore, Pa.	First Evangelical	C. B. Lindtwed	140	56	85	561 59	206 06	5,000
Berwick, Pa.	St. John's	W. H. Berk	133	62	75	351 85	38 30	8,000
Folsom, N. J.	St. James	C. D. Clauss	90	69	41	273 52	62 29	6,000
Risley, N. J.	St. John's	C. D. Clauss	24			84 42		500
Transferred to Self-Sustaining List								
Atlantic City	St. Andrew's	Theo. Buch	350	60	115	1,272 23	49 21	20,000
Trenton, N. J.	Our Saviour	J. C. Mattes	350	167	170	1,549 94	242 00	18,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Resurrection	D. J. Sulzbach	390	316	392	1,538 37	162 55	23,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	All Saints	F. A. Bowers	319	293	320	2,301 52	155 00	65,000
Lehighton, Pa.	Grace	Vacant	210	110	111	1,081 07	89 54	11,000
New Ringgold	Frieden's	G. W. Fritch	200	170	112	300 00	96 75	5,000
McKeansburg	Christ's	G. W. Fritch	83	70	135	200 00		1,500
Lewiston, Pa.	Zion	G. W. Fritch	50	40	45	150 00		2,000
Tuscarora, Pa.	Advent	G. W. Fritch	60	50	84			
Lancaster, Pa.	St. Mark's	J. H. Strenge	258	133	256	772 29	196 90	8,000
Quakake Parish	Ascension	E. P. Xander	56	41	159	606 25	94 57	
Quakake Parish, Rush	Christ	E. P. Xander	169	125				
Quakake Parish, Locust Gap	St. Peter's	E. P. Xander	20	23				
Llewllyn	Frieden's		117	106	112	200 00	41 48	2,000
Richfield, Parish	St. John's		105	89	144	590 10	17 65	6,000
Richfield, Parish	St. Paul's							
	St. Peter's							
	Zion's							
Trevorton, Pa.	Zion's	D. M. Stettler	138	120	225	436 75	210 82	7,500
Grand Total	57 Missions	28 Missionaries	7,989	4,399	6,730	$32,882 41	$3,544 71	$422,113

DISTRICT SYNOD OF OHIO

Mission transferred to self-sustaining list

Toledo, Ohio Station A.	St. Luke's	R. E. M. Engers	171	121	52	237 24	36 75	3,700
Toledo, Ohio	St. Luke's	E. M. Potts	350	184	130	922 18	44 06	8,700
Coshocton, O.	St. Paul's	A. K. Wolborn	130	92	58	514 80	65 00	4,500

DISTRICT SYNOD OF OHIO (Continued)

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership.	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence.	Value of Property.
Coshocton, O	Emmanuel	A. K. Walborn	125	69	80	$496 57	$44 10	$ 7,000
Defiance, O	Zion's	W. H. Shepfer	230	184	104	369 21	54 02	10,000
Holgate, O	St. Peter's	John Knauer	200	70	73	460 30	56 25	4,100
Stanley, Ohio	St. John's	John Knauer	160	45	62	355 00	44 65	5,000
Paulding, Ohio	St. Paul's	A. C. Wuchter	98	59	90	436 31	61 07	6,500
Broughton, Ohio	St. Paul's	A. C. Wuchter	35	9	.....	.....	8 63	1,500
Charloe, Ohio	Zion's	A. C. Wuchter	65	18	52	.....	20 52	1,200
West Carrollton	Grace	L. P. Pence	146	66	104	378 00	64 00	3,000
Ingomar, Ohio	St. John's	L. P. Pence	148	50	139	199 02	5 96	7,140
Barberton, Ohio	First	J. J. Rumbarger	247	89	115	641 27	116 85	15,000
Cleveland, Ohio	Emmaus	R. A. Albert	234	72	195	339 69	31 00	6,782
	14 Missions	9 Missionaries	2,339	1,128	1,254	$5,349 59	$652 86	$81,522
CHICAGO SYNOD								
New Missions								
Oak Park, Chicago	Salem	J. W. Hanning	70	27	60	310 29	.....	2,500
Mishawaka, Ind	First	R. E. M. Engers	50	50	.....	.....	.....	25,000
Missions of Chicago Synod transferred to self-sustaining list								
Woodstock, Ill	Grace	R. C. Kaufman	224	153	117	917 03	9 59	4,000
Chicago, Ill	St. Matthew's	P. J. Gerberding	350	160	166	955 66	173 00	12,000
Missions of Chicago Synod								
Chicago, Ill	St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chicago, Ill	Atonement	Vacant	278	123	156	585 09	126 14	7,000
Chicago, Ill	Epiphany	C. R. W. Kegley	200	98	83	1,094 13	134 00	10,000
Chicago, Ill	St. James	L. E. Wein	275	145	228	1,239 28	60 00	10,500
Chicago, Ill	Redeemer	J. R. E. Hunt	360	154	230	985 25	40 00	9,000
Chicago, Ill	St. John's	P. C. Baer	27	27	17	502 11	793 00	11,500
Lafayette, Ind	Holy Trinity	E. D. S. Boyer	576	84	78	724 91	75 01	16,000
Detroit, Mich	St. Paul's	J. W. Paetznick	350	127	290	870 00	150 00	7,300
Detroit, Mich	Christ	A. M. Sappenfield	550	142	342	1,070 12	141 00	15,000
Aurora, Ill	Redeemer	G. G. Smith	221	81	123	169 99	45 00	11,000
	14 Missions	12 Missionaries	3,531	1,372	1,890	$9,423 86	$2,151 74	$140,800
ENGLISH SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST								
New Mission								
Neenah, Wis	St. Paul's	A. J. Sommers	125	59	66	141 15	.....	.....

ENGLISH SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST (Continued)

Mission transferred to self-sustaining list

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership.	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence.	Value of Property.
Oshkosh, Wis.	St. John's	W. C. Stump	250	102	90	$991 57	$157 14	$4,500

Missions supported by the Board of English Home Missions

Livingston, Mon.	Redeemer	F. W. Klingensmith	90	34	53	771 83	120 65	10,895
Winnipeg, Can.	First	P. E. Baisler	275	82	155	661 21	84 70	40,000
Inwood, Can.	St. John's	P. E. Baisler	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Minneapolis, Minn.	Holy Communion	L. B. Deck	248	66	175	256 25	55 06	5,600
Minneapolis, Minn.	Redeemer	C. J. Rockey	375	134	292	1,047 79	213 17	2,000
Superior, Wis.	Holy Trinity	W. H. Gable	285	77	130	5,130 20	73 76	7,500
Madison, Wis.	Trinity	H. R. Gold	242	94	93	444 99	124 53	15,000
Middleton, Wis.	First	H. R. Gold	77	62	.....	236 47	15 16	.....
Beloit, Wis.	Atonement	W. Krumweide	350	65	96	658 22	8 66	9,000
Afton, Wis.	Trinity	W. Krumweide	30	20	.....	.....	.....	.....
Racine, Wis.	Atonement	W. F. Rex	514	178	316	816 68	110 05	15,950
Cedarburg, Wis.	Advent	Vacant	126	81	55	450 00	.....	15,534
Milwaukee, Wis.	Reformation	Vacant	900	357	437	2,188 06	651 45	44,761
Milwaukee, Wis.	Lake Park	F. E. Cooper	135	44	93	1,088 36	122 30	37,500
	16 Missions.	11 Missionaries.	4,022	1,455	2,051	$14,882 78	$1,735 63	$208,240

PACIFIC SYNOD

Mission transferred to the self-sustaining list

Tacoma, Wash.	St. John's	C. F. W. Stoever	400	300	90	728 32	8 30	20,000

New Missions

La Grande, Oregon	Zion's	Wm. C. Drahn	123	28	23	337 56	13 88	3,000
Vancouver, B. C.	Redeemer	B. A. Sand	33	23	27	174 50	.....	25,000
Centralia, Wash.	Immanuel	W. H. Zuber	22	15	13	158 85	.....	.....
Bellingham, Wash.	St. Mark's	F. W. Bussard	187	60	44	491 39	165 86	6,500
Victoria, B. C.	Grace	D. J. O. Westheim	141	30	92	389 10	8 50	25,000
Medford, Oregon	Zion's	Conrad Wilker	157	48	50	655 36	131 80	4,000
	7 Missions.	7 Missionaries.	1,063	504	339	$2,935 08	$328 34	$83,500

NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND SYNOD

New Missions

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Baptized Membership.	Communicant Membership.	Sunday-school.	Current Expenses.	Benevolence.	Value of Property.
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Grace	G. C. Loos	83	25	54	$133 92	$ 7 55	$4,300
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Mediator	G. C .Loos	87	23	63	186 46	18 67	3,700
East Orange, N. J.	Holy Trinity	Vacant	75	44	13	597 51	29 05	.....
Elmira, N. Y.	Holy Trinity	J. Hassler	.....	45	40	88 13	.....	10,000
Missions transferred to self-sustaining list								
Dunkirk, N. Y.	Grace	G. G. Ruff	325	164	144	780 61	187 40	6,500
Missions supported by the English Home Mission Board								
Hartford, Conn.	St. Paul's	C. E. Blethen	245	51	52	355 72	42 92	20,000
New Britian, Conn	Reformation	O. S. Schrieber	237	65	106	347 89	27 08	7,000
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Covenant	J. H. Stelljes	720	154	560	989 40	17 00	6,900
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Ascension	Wm. Steinbicker	191	83	159	737 84	108 86	7,500
Brocklyn, N. Y.	St. Andrew's	O. S. Yerger	994	229	838	737 32	23 48	12,000
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Nativity	G. C. Loos	67	20	54	297 64	16 92	.....
College Point	Holy Spirit	L. C. Koehler	113	22	59	300 00	.....	6,000
Corona, N. Y.	St. Bartholomew	L. C. Koehler	.....	.....	30	370 32	.....	4,500
Yonkers, N. Y.	Redeemer	Emil Weber	182	80	40	633 47	63 21	16,000
	14 Missions.	10 Missionaries.	3,319	1,005	2,262	$6,556 23	$542 14	$104,400

SYNOD OF CENTRAL CANADA

New and self-sustaining Mission

Berlin, Ont.	First	H. J. Behrens	188	87	105	363 46	481 25	14,000
Supported by the Board of English Home Missions								
Buttonville, Ont.	St. John's	J. Maurer	15	15	25	145 62	14 40	3,700
Unionville, Ont.	Bethesda	J. Maurer	38	35	40	772 39	162 00	5,850
Ottawa, Canada	St. Peter's	J. J. Clemens	155	40	73	728 84	145 00	10,250
Brantford, Ont.	St. Matthew's	Vacant	30	20	30	201 00	40 65	.....
Dunbar, Ont.	St. Luke's	Vacant	74	40	40	525 00	.....	5,000
	6 Missions.	3 Missionaries.	500	237	313	$2,716 31	$843 30	$38,800

II. Supported by the Board of German Home Missions

I. IN CONNECTION WITH THE PACIFIC SYNOD

PLACE.	CHURCH	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars.	Church Property. Ch.	Par.	Value of Property.
Camas, Wash.	Zion's	C. F. Boehner	30	10	Ch. & Par.		$ 1,600
Ridgefield, Wash.		C. F. Boehner	15				
Bellingham, Wash.	St. John's	Vacant			Ch. & Par.		3,000
Bellingham, Wash.	Friedens'	Vacant			Church		1,000
Greenwood, Wash.		Vacant					
Kendall, Wash.		Vacant					
Chehalis, Wash.	St. John's	Vacant	32	63	Ch. & Par.		14,500
Winlock, Wash.	St. Peter's	Vacant	29	23	Church		3,500
Medford, Ore.	Zion's	C. Wilker	54	47	Ch. & Par.		5,000
Grant's Pass., Ore.		C. Wilker	21				
Lake Creek, Ore.		C. Wilker	18				
Marksburg, Ore.	Christus	Vacant	72	16	Ch.Par.& S.H.		2,000
New Era, Ore.	St. Johannis	Vacant	45	21	Ch. & Cem.		350
Needy, Ore.		Vacant	11	17			
Oregon City, Ore.	Zion's	W. R. Kraxberger	95	50	Ch. & Par.		3,000
San Jose, Cal.	Bethel's	E. Meyer	61	151	Ch. & Par.		10,500

II. IN CONNECTION WITH THE SYNOD OF MANITOBA AND OTHER PROVINCES

Thalberg, Man.	Trinity	P. Tourney	105	17			
Gruenwald, Man.	St. Johannis	P. Tourney	86	9			
Gretna, Man.	St. Paul's	P. Baehnisch	66	27	Ch. & Par.		$ 3,600
Rosenfeld, Man.	St. Johannis	P. Baehnisch	86		Church		1,400
Friedensthal, Man.	Zion's	H. Becker	160		Ch.Par. & Cem		1,900
Greenridge, Man.	Hoffnungs	H. Becker	35		Ch. & Cem.		150
Overstone, Man.		H. Becker	38		Cemetery		50
Niverville, Man.		H. Becker	29		Ch. & Cem.		800
Emerson, Man.		H. Becker	35				
Friedensfeld, Man.		H. Becker	31				
Woodridge, Man.		H. Becker	14				
Friedfeld, Man.	Bethanien	F. Ewald	71	30	½ Ch. Par.S.H., ½	Cem.	2,000
Camper, Man.	Immanuel	Vacant	40	30			
Moosehorn, Deerfield, Man., Zion.		Vacant	60	50			
Mc. Nutt, Sask.		F. Ewald	25				
Edenwald Village, Sask.	St. Johannis	Rudolph Kersten	125	40	Ch. Par. & Cem		2,500
Edenwald City, Sask.	St. Paul's	Rudolph Kersten	30				1,080
Neudorf, Sask.	Zion's	B. Merz	154	47	Ch. Par. Cem. S.H.		5,000
Wheatwyn, Sask.	Zion's	J. Grill	60	26	Ch.Par.& Cem.		4,150
Serath, Sask.	Paulus	F. Pempeit	72	14	Cemetery		
Elbourne, Sask.		F. Pempeit	10	5			
Saskatoon, Sask.		F. W. Klein	63	35	Ch. & Par.		10,000
Kenell, Sask.		H. Stippich	80	15	Parish		850
Stony Hill, Sask.	St. Johannis	M. Richter	70	25	Ch. & Cem.		3,000
Silver Grove, Sask.	St. Paul's	M. Richter	55	12	Cemetery		
Rosthern, Sask.	Christ	G. Jüttner	125	70	Ch. Par. Cem.		6,100
Shellbrook, Sask.		Vacant	12	15			
Ormission, Sask.		Vacant	15	12			
Friedensfeld, Aberdeen S	Paul's	G. Jüttner	32	30	Cemetery		100
Duff Village, Sask.	St. John's	C. Kleiner	34	16	Ch. Par. Cem.		800
Range IX, Sask.	St. Peter's	C. Kleiner	40		Ch. & Cem.		700
Fenwood, Sask.	Zion	C. Kleiner	17				
Range X, Sask.		C. Kleiner	35				
Duff City, Sask.		C. Kleiner	8				
Gartenland, Sask.		F. Restau	200	40	Ch. & Par.		2,000
Kindersley, Sask.	Frieden's	W. Mahlstedt	36	15	Church		700
North Battleford, Sask.		E. Türkheim	46				
Medstead, Sask.		E. Türkheim	23				
Battleford, Sask.		E. Türkheim	3				
Luseland, Sask.		Vacant					
Edmonton, Alta.	St. Johannis	H. Harms	275	95	Ch. & Par.		20,000
Rosslyn, Alta.	St. Paul's	H. Harms	20				
Wetaskiwin, Alta.	St. Johannis	G. Poetzsch	112	40	Ch. Par. Cem.		3,000
Heimtal, Alta.	St. Johannis	J. Müller	59	40	Ch. School H.		2,500
Rosental,(E. Leduc)Alta.		J. Müller	46	25	Church		600
Otoskwan, Alta.	St. Petri	J. Müller	23	20			
RedDeerLake,(Water Gl.	St. Petri	H. R. Karsten	84	32	Ch. Par. & Cem		3,000

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars.	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
New Sarepta } Haylake..	St. Paul's	A. Schlange	40	20			
St. Joseph }		A. Schlange	60	20			
Wiste, Alta		H. Strüwing	30	15			
Olds, Alta		Vacant	17	15	Church		400
Wales (Dresden)N.Dak..	St. Johannis	R. Kranz	90	27	Ch. Par. & Cem		$ 1,800
		F. Bredlow					
		H. Hauptmann					

III. IN CONNECTION WITH THE MINISTERIUM OF NEW YORK

Ottenheim, Ky	Immanuels	Vacant	109	23	Ch. Par. S Cem.		$ 1,675

The following missions became self-sustaining during the biennium:
Beausejour and Green Bay, Manitoba. Winnipeg, Manitoba. Kronan and Davin, Sask. Strathcona, Alta.
Summary: 69 Missions, 1 Mission Supt., 30 Missionaries, 3674 Communicants, Value of Property, $125,305.

III. Supported by District Synods

I. AUGUSTANA SYNOD

Portland, Me	Immanuel	Vacant	48		Brick		$ 15,500
Concord, N. H	Concordia	J. E. A. Everet, v.p	60	45	Frame	Lot	5,900
Brattleboro, Vt		E. A. Peterson	103	34	Frame		3,500
Attleboro, Mass	Emanuel	F. W. Lindstrom	127	28	Frame		10,300
Beverly, Mass		O. Moren, v.p	8				700
Brockton, Mass	Gethsemane	Julius Hulteen, v.p..	103	80	Frame		5,012
Greendale, Mass							
Greenfield, Mass	Bethesda	A. J. Hilmer, v.p	16				
Holyoke, Mass							
Hyde Park, Mass		J. A. Forslund					
Leominster, Mass							
Maynard, Mass		A. F. Andrea					
Millville, Mass	Zion	F. W. Lindstrom,v.p	45	33	Frame		4,000
Monson, Mass							
Natick, Mass	Gustaf Adolf	A. F. Andrea	28	17			
Norwood, Mass	Emanuel	J. A. Forslund	156	10	Frame		3,600
Palmer, Mass							
Pigeon Cove, Mass	Klippan		21		Frame		2,000
Pittsfield, Mass	Zion						
Southbridge, Mass							
Salem, Mass	Bethania	H. Jacobson, v.p	17				
Woburn, Mass		O. Moren	100	28	Frame		9,000
Newport, R. I	Zion	H. Myreen	81	32	Frame		9,000
Woonsocket, R. I	Swedish Finnish	F. W. Lindstrom,v.p	27	22	Cem		3,000
Centerbrook, Conn	Trinity	A. P. Björkman	38	12	Frame	Lot	3,800
Collinsville, Conn	Gustaf Adolf						
Danbury, Conn	Sw. Lutheran						
Deep River, Conn	Bethel	A. P. Björkman	54	22	Frame	Par	3,000
Georgetown, Conn	Swedish-Finnish	C. O. Thunberg,v.p	97	35	Frame		3,000
So. Norwalk, Conn	Messias	C. O. Thunberg	19		Frame	Lot	2,500
Torrington, Conn	Bethania	J. Herman Olson	51	30	Frame		3,500
Washington Depot, Conn	Trinity	J. D. Danielson,v.p.	79	17	Frame	Lot	4,000
Ashville, N. Y	Bethel	J. A. Rinell	18		Frame		1,000
Brooklyn, N. Y	Tabor	GustafAnderson,v.p.	55	27	Frame		5,000
Brooklyn, N. Y	Salem	G. Nelsenius	226	506	Br. fr.	Par	20,000
Brooklyn, N. Y	Saron	Vacant	12	16			100
Buffalo, N. Y	Trinity	A. J. Okerblom	145	54	St. & Br.	Par	24,000
Busti, N. Y	Bethania	J. A. Rinell	30	14	Frame	Par	2,100
Corning, N. Y	Emanuel	J. H. Benson,(Lay'n					
Corona, N. Y	Trinity	G. Nelsenius, v.p	34	35	St. & Br.		5,500
Dunkirk, N. Y	Zion	Carl A. Stenholm	60	24	Frame	Par	9,000
Ellery, N. Y		Eric Boman	40	28	Frame	Lot	2,000
Edenwald, N. Y	Bernadotte	Hilmer Larson	45	75	Stone		7,050
Flatbush, N. Y							
Long Island, N. Y	Salem	G. Nelsenius, v.p	36	38	Br. & Fr.		6,000
Mayville, N. Y		Eric Boman	148	26	Frame	Par	5,200
Mt. Vernon, N. Y	Emanuel	Hilmer Larson	71	30	Frame		10,200
New Rochelle, N. Y	Zion	Hilmer Larson, v.p.	27	15			
New York, N. Y	Messias	John Johnson	150	173	Frame		15,700
New York, N. Y	Harlem	G. Nelsenius, v.p	205	136	Lot		20,000
Niagara Falls, N. Y	Bethania	A. J. Okerblom	23	16	Frame		1,500
Olean, N. Y	Bethania	L. W. Gullstrom	124	30	Frame		8,000
Ossining, N. Y	Zion	Hilmer Larson, v.p.	20	22			200

1. Augustana Synod (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars.	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
Pleasantville, N. Y.	Emanuel	John Johnson	15		Frame		$ 2,200
Port Richmond, N. Y.	Vasa	A. J. Ostlin	73	42	Frame Fl. in Ch		7,000
Richmond Hill, N. Y.	Gustaf Adolf	G. Anderson, v.p.	10	10			
Rochester, N. Y.	Trinity	Vacant	40		Frame		5,000
Schenectady, N. Y.	Gustaf Adolf	K. A. Martin, v.p.	65		Frame		5,000
Syracuse, N. Y.							
White Plains, N. Y.	Trinity	John Johnson	30	26			2,000
Bergenfield, N. J.	Clara	Gottfrid Olson	34	27	Lots		750
Bayonne, N. J.	Eleonora	A. J. Ostlin	62	23	Frame	Lot	6,500
Camden, N. J.							
Dover, N. J.	Trinity	A. B. Lilja	72	37	Frame	Par	13,500
Englewood, N. J.	Bethesda	G. R. Peterson	20				
Elizabeth, N. J.	Bartholomen	Aug. G. Olsson	37	26	Lot		1,500
Morristown, N. J.	Finnish-Scandinavian						
Plainfield, N. J.	Gethsemane	Aug. G. Olsson	34		Lot		800
Union Hill, N. J.	Libanon	G. R. Peterson	42	45	Stone Lot		7,500
Altoona, Pa.	Gustaf Adolf	C. W. Vetell	33	13	Frame		3,296
Anita, Pa.	Elim	Adolphe Anderson	68	35	Frame		1,200
Bradford; Pa.	Immanuel	L. W. Gullstrom,v.p.	140	54	Frame	Par	9,000
Columbus, Pa.	Elim	Vacant					
Crenshaw, Pa.		Oscar Ostrom					
Duquesne, Pa.	Zion	Morton Parson, v.p	114	65	Lot		6,000
Freehold, Pa.	Berea	Oscar Nelson, v.p.	157	20	Frame	Par	4,000
Johnsonburg, Pa.	First Luth	A. C. Rylander	39	22			
Munhall, Pa.	Gethsemane	Morten Parson,v.p.	28				
New Castle, Pa.	Zion	G. S. Olsson	57	21	Frame		3,200
Norwich, Pa.							
Philadelphia, Pa.	Gustaf Adolf	A. E. Ericsson,v.p.	125	42	Brick		15,000
Pittsfield, Pa.	St. Paul	Oscar Nelson, v.p.	17		Frame		2,000
Shawmut, Pa.	Zion	Oscar Ostrom	15	12			
Smethport, Pa.	Ansgarius	L. W. Gullstrom	61	32	Frame		4,000
Winburne, Pa.	Libanon	O. J. Andrews, v.p.	95	64	Frame	Par	2,000
Windber, Pa.	Gustaf Adolf	C. W. Vetell	34	17	Frame		4,000
Baltimore, Md.	St. Olaf	A. J. Enstram	40	16	Frame		2,500
Washington, D. C.		A. J. Enstam					
South Lorain, O.							
Belvedere, Ill.	Zion	Oscar E. Liden	190	60	Brick		10,000
Berwyn, Ill.	Augustana	Vacant	140	80	Brick	Par	15,000
Canton, Ill.	Bethlehem	Joel Olsenius, v.p.	48	15	Frame		3,500
Chicago, Ill.	Nebo	M. C. Ranseen	200	150	Frame		3,500
*Chicago, Ill.	Bethel	Daniel Nystrom	68	50	Stucco		9,000
*Chicago, Ill.	Grace	P. O. Bersell	66	50	Frame	Lot	9,500
Chicago, Ill.	St. John's	A. Edgsen	87	112	Frame		3,800
Chicago, Ill.	Capernaum	Vacant	38	35	Frame		3,300
Chicago, Ill.	Messias	F. A. Bonander	77	165	Brick	Lot	8,500
Chicago, Ill.	St. Paul	Oscar N. Olson	228	225	Br. & St.	Par	20,000
Chicago Heights, Ill.	Immanuel	G. Fletwood	85	68	Frame		5,600
Cragin, Ill.	Libanon	Ernest T. Smith	78	147	Frame		5,000
Gibson City, Ill.	Salem	M. Frykman	91	30	Frame	Par	5,500
Gladstone, Ill.	Emanuel	W. P. Anderson	26	35			
Granville, Ill.		S. N. Elvin	81	42	Frame	Par	6,200
Harvey, Chicago, Ill.	Tabor	V. Setterdahl	50	36	Frame		3,600
Kirkland, Ill.		Vacant	96	46	Frame	Par	7,500
La Grange, Ill.	Emmaus	Carl Christenson,v.p.	92	90	Brick	Lot	9,000
*Moline, Ill.	Emanuel	W. E. Pearson	72		Frame		4,500
Moline, Ill.	Salem	Eward Ekstrom	187	185	Brick		8,000
Sibley, Ill.		M. Frykman	52		Frame		2,000
Stronghurst, Ill.		W. P. Anderson	120	45	Frame		6,000
Utica, Ill.	Ansgarii	S. N. Elvin	49	35	Frame		2,400
East Chicago, Ind.	St. Paul	Vacant	33	45	Frame		5,000
Gary, Ind.	Bethlehem	H. P. Ottoson	50				
Indiana Harbor, Ind.	Gennesareth	Vacant	30	45	Frame		2,250
Brevort, Mich.		Erik Rehner	35	15			
Carney, Mich.		P. O. Dahlberg	15		Frame		1,200
Cheboygan, Mich.	Sw. Ev. Luth.	Erik Rehner	47	30	Frame		1,000
Cedarville, Mich.		Erik Rehner					
Covert, Mich.	Bethania	Vacant	34	34	Frame		800
Detroit, Mich.	Bethlehem	G. P. Williams	117	50	Brick		5,000
Elk Rapids, Mich.	Bethania	Carl A. Tolin, v.p.	35		Frame		1,200

1. Augustana Synod (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars.	Church Property. Ch.	Par.	Value of Property.
Flint, Mich.							
Gladstone, Mich.	Ebenezer	K. M. Holmberg	150	137	Frame	Par	$ 8,000
Grand Marais, Mich.	Bethany	Erik Rehner	18	8	Frame		1,000
Ironwood, Mich.	Zion	Carl J. Silversten	130	136	Brick		13,000
Isabella, Mich.	Bethany	K. M. Holmberg,v.p	33		Frame		1,500
Jennings, Mich.	Bethel	A. Sundberg, v.p.	52	30	Frame		1,700
Mancelona, Mich.	Gustaf Adolf	Gustaf Bergman,v.p	34	15	Frame		1,000
Munising, Mich.	Eden	O. A. Landell	43	40	Conc.		5,000
Newberry, Mich.	Messias	C. E. Lindquist,v.p.	90	66	Frame	Lot	3,000
Oscoda, Mich.	Eliazar	Vacant	25	25	Frame		1,500
Ontonagon, Mich.	Siloa	A. E. Monell, v.p.	32	15	Frame		1,500
Republic, Mich.	Zion	S. Bergdahl	71	45	Frame		4,000
St. Joseph, Mich.	Saron	Vacant	34	12	Frame		2,000
Saginaw, Mich.							
Skandia, Mich.	Emanuel	O. A. Landell	30	10	Brick		3,000
Stonington, Mich.	Bethel	C. A. Lund, v.p.	65	38	Frame		1,500
Traverse City, Mich.		C. A. Tolin, v. p.	28		Frame		2,000
Whitefish, Mich.	Bethlehem	K.M.Holemberg,v.p	42	15	Frame		1,200
Amery, Wis.	Ebenezer	M. Th. Andren	82	39	Frame	Par	6,500
Ashland, Wis.	Bethesda	A. Road	58	63	Frame		1,500
Bennet, Wis.	Immanuel	O. H. Nelson, v.p.	60	18	Frame		2,000
Bayfield, Wis.		A. Road	18	18	Frame		2,500
Boon Lake, Wis.	Zion	Carl J. Collin	21				
Glen Flora, Wis.							
Grand Rapids, Wis.	Bethesda	Julius Nordling	60		Frame		1,100
Grantsburg, Wis.	Salem	Swante Udden	25	22	Frame	Par	3,500
Hayward, Wis.	Bethlehem	A. J. Elmer	54	25			
Madison, Wis.		O. E. Liden, v.p.	78	25	Frame		6,900
Mellen, Wis.	Zion	Carl J. Silversten	25	20	Frame		2,000
Milwaukee, Wis.	First Swedish		49	30	Frame		7,500
Mosling, Wis.	Zion	C. J. Carl, v.p.	22		Frame		2,500
Mountain, Wis.							
New Richmond, Wis.		Einar Rendahl	43	20	Frame	Lot	2,500
Paskin Lake, Wis.	Ebenezer	A. G. Hammarberg	40	18	Frame		1,000
Phillips, Wis.	Phillippi	Vacant			Frame		1,000
Poplar, Wis.	Bethania	A. Theo. Ekblad,v.p	70	53	Frame		3,000
Port Wing, Wis.		E. J. Norden	96	65	Frame	Par	6,500
Prentice, Wis.	Bethlehem	S. P. Holmberg,v.p.	104	48	Frame	Par	4,500
Racine, Wis.	First	A. J. Kallberg	65	35	Brick	Par	12,500
Rice Lake, Wis.	Immanuel	A. J. Elmer	121	39	Frame	Lot	2,000
Unity, Wis.		J. Nordling, v.p.	34		Frame		1,100
Wabino, Wis.							
Washburn, Wis.	Emanuel	A. Road	30	20	Frame	Lot	2,600
Aitkin Co., Minn.	Maria	J. A. Gustafson	37	30	Log		1,175
Aitkin Co., Minn.	Bethlehem	J. A. Gustafson	57	33	Frame		1,250
Aitkin Co., Minn.	St. Paul	J. A. Gustafson	65	55	Frame	Par	6,100
Aldrich, Minn.	Balsamlund	E. V. Isaacson	58	23	Frame		600
Alvarado, Minn.	Elim	G. Wahlund, v.p.	82	43	Frame		7,000
Anoka, Minn.	Zion	J. E. Erlander	56	33	Frame	Par	4,800
Avoca, Minn.	Lime Lake	L. J. Fihn	74	16	Frame		4,000
Belview, Minn.		C. A. Lindahl	58	25			
Bemidji, Minn.	Bethel	J. H. Randahl	40	23	Frame		3,300
Badger, Minn.	Bethania	J. E. Lindberg			Frame		800
Bock, Minn.	Immanuel	Gustaf L. Dagner	139	60	Frame		1,100
Brunswick, Minn.		Vacant	75	40	Frame		1,000
Christine, Minn.		Alexander Peterson	81	21	Frame	Par	7,600
Christdala, Minn.		L. A. Edman	62	20	Frame	Par	3,000
Compton, Minn.		E. V. Isaacson	114	45	Log		1,850
Carlton, Minn.	Bethesda	E. J. Peterson	58	50	Frame	Par	5,000
Chisholm, Minn.	Salem	J. B. A. Idstrom	21		3 Lots		1,000
Clear Brook, Minn.	Bethsaida	J. H. Randahl	38	16	Frame		1,650
Clear Brook, Minn.	Oak Park	J. H. Randahl	60		Frame		1,000
Cuyuna, Minn.	Dalnäs						
Crookston, Minn.	Emanuel	Carl G. Zaar	41	28	Frame		2,000
Darling, Minn.	Immanuel	Vacant	62	45	Frame		800
Dell Grove, Minn.		Vacant	67	16	Frame		1,600
Deerwood, Minn.	First Sw.	J. A. Gustafson	34	5	Frame		1,200
Detroit, Minn.	Trinity	Theo. Steinert	117	32	Frame	Par	4,550
*Duluth, Minn.	Trinity						

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Dundee, Minn.	Lund	L. J. Fihn	36	50	Frame		$ 1,500
Englund, Minn.	Salem	C. G. Grönberg	75	22	Fr. & Log	Par	6,000
Ely, Minn.	Bethania	Hugo Thorene, v.p.	30	40	Frame		2,500
Fosston, Minn.	Asphult	Victor Sternherz	39		Frame		1,500
Greenbush, Minn.	Saron	Vacant	63	12	Frame		1,700
Grand Rapids, Minn.	Zion	Carl G. Olson, v.p.	8		Frame		2,500
Hibbing, Minn.	Immanuel	J. B. A. Idstrom	88	105	Frame	Par	9,000
Hart Lake, Minn.	Zion	J. H. Randahl	43	18	Frame		2,000
Hinckley, Minn.		Vacant	61	31	Frame		2,300
Hopkins, Minn.	Gethsemane	H. P. Johnson	145	85	Brick		3,500
International Falls, Minn							
Isle, Minn.	Zion	Vacant	41	25	Frame	Par	2,000
Karlstad, Minn.	Bethel	C. G. Grönberg	16	9	Frame		2,000
Lakefield, Minn.	Gustaf Adolf	J. E. Shipp, v.p.	14		Frame		2,000
Lengby, Minn.	Fridhem	Victor Sternherz	17				
Lengby, Minn.	Poplar Lake	Victor Sternherz	64	20	Frame		2,000
McIntosh, Minn.	Salem	Victor Sternherz	41	19	Frame		1,200
Milaca, Minn.	Zion	Gustaf L. Dagner	150	65	Frame	Par	2,400
Middle River, Minn.		G. Wahlund, v.p.	21				
Minneapolis, Minn.	Saron	G. Rast	82	65	Frame		2,000
*Minneapolis, Minn.	Grace	Olof Lundgren	117	189	Frame		15,000
Minneapolis, Minn.	Bethany	E. A. Lindgren	46	161	Frame		1,200
Minneapolis, Minn.	Libanon	E. A. Lindgren	48	136	Cement		2,500
Monticello, Minn.		J. N. Almquist	19		Frame		1,000
Murray Co., Minn.	Bethania	L. J. Fihn	123	34	Frame	Par	4,000
Moose Lake, Minn.	Bethlehem	L. J. Sundquist	19	14	Frame	Par	2,500
Mora, Minn.		Vacant	71	40	Frame	Lot	2,000
Nylunda, Minn.		Alex Sand	45	5	Brick		2,200
Newfolden, Minn.	Gustaf Adolf	G. Wahlund, v.p.	20		Frame		800
Odessa, Minn.	Emanuel	A. Engdahl	27		Frame		2,500
Opstead, Minn.	Immanuel	Vacant	20		Frame		750
Pine River, Minn.	First Sw. Luth.	Elof G. Carlson	43	39	Frame		1,756
Pine Grove, Minn.		Eric N. Hedeen	77	32	Frame		1,000
Princeton, Minn.	Emanuel	Vacant	64	8	Frame		3,780
Randen, Minn.	Nordsloga	G. Wahlund, v.p.	25				
Ronneby, Minn.	Gustaf Adolf	G. A. Ostergren	32		Frame	Lot	1,500
Roseau, Minn.	Clara	J. E. Lindberg	60	24	Frame	Par	4,000
Roseau, Minn.	Willow Creek						
Sebeka, Minn.	Trinity	E. V. Isaacson	36	42	Frame		1,000
So. Stillwater, Minn.	Bethesda	Johannis Lundquist	73	60	Frame	Par	4,000
Strandquist, Minn.	Bethesda	C. G. Grönberg	44	20	Fr. & Log		2,000
Strathcona, Minn.	Gustaf Vasa	G. Wahlund, v.p.	20		Frame		1,000
St. Cloud, Minn.	Salem	G. A. Ostergren	85	50	Brick	Par	11,500
St. Paul, Minn.	Salem	John G. Hultkrans	50	60	Frame		3,000
*St. Paul, Minn.	Arlington Hills	Nels Lundgren	105	150	4 Lots		2,600
St. Paul, Minn.	Augustana	J. E. Ericsson	43	38	Frame		2,800
St. Paul, Minn.	Clara	A. Noren	147	130	Frame		4,000
St. Paul, Minn.	Gloria Dei	P. N. Sjogren	137	69	Fr. & Br.		25,000
St. Paul, Minn.	Zion	J. A. Frost	225	125	Fr. & Br.		10,000
Sandstone, Minn.	Elim	Vacant					
Soudan, Minn.	Bethel	Hugo Thorene, v.p.	40	30	Frame		1,000
Thief River Falls, Minn.	First	G. Wahlund, v.p.	46	30	Frame		3,000
Tower, Minn.	Immanuel	Hugo Thorene, v.p.	35	20	Frame		1,500
Triumph, Minn.		C. W. Samuelson, v.p	50	25	Frame		1,500
Warroad, Minn.	Zion						
Zimmerman, Minn.	Livonia	Vacant	13	5	Frame		200
Antler, N. D.		C. O. Gulleen	23	16			
Bergen, N. D.	Elim	Oscar W. Ohlson	25	16	Frame		2,600
Bismarck, N. D.		E. F. Alfson	32	48		Par	4,000
Braddock, N. D.	Maria	E. F. Alfson	84	23	Frame		4,000
Basto, N. D.	Birka	E. O. Valberg	56	12	One-half in	Par	1,350
Gascoyne, N. D.	Bethania	B. N. Glim	13				
Grand Forks, N. D.	Gustaf Adolf	J. M. Persenius	113	63	Frame	Par	9,000
Lignite, N. D.	Bethania	J. B. Sorenson	27		2 Acres Land		100
Malcolm, N. D.	Bethel	E. O. Valberg	44	11	One-half in	Par	1,350
Minot, N. D.	First Sw.	Oscar W. Ohlson	26	15	Frame	Par	8,525
Niobe, N. D.	Elmdale	J. B. Sorenson	62	45	Frame	Par	2,600
Soaris, N. D.	Sion	C. O. Gulleen	58	30	Stone		2,560
Charles Mix, S. D.	Fridhem	A. G. Olson	22	10	Frame		3,000

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Dallas, S. D.	Bethlehem	J. J. Richard	28				
Geddes, S. D.	Platte Valley	A. G. Olson	34		Frame		$ 1,400
Lead, S. D.	Augustana	Vacant	15			Par	2,500
Mitchell, S. D.	Bethlehem	A. G. Olson	27	7	Lots		900
Orient, S. D.		L. J. Lundquist	20	8		Par	2,500
Roberts Co., S. D.	St. Joseph	J. A. Johanson	72	50	Frame	Par	7,450
Redfield, S. D.	St. Paul's	L. J. Lundquist	23		Frame		2,000
Terraville, S. D.	Bethel	Vacant	12		Frame		1,500
Amisk, Alta, Can.	Bethania	O. Lindgren	11		2 Acres Land		84
Brawnlee, Sask, Can.							
Battle Lake, Sask, Can.	Svea						
Buchanan, Sask, Can.			46				
Burnt Lake, Alta., Can.	Bethel						
Churchbridge, Sask., Can.							
Clive, Alta., Can.	Saron	Vacant	22	10	Frame		2,000
Czar, Alta., Can.	Emanuel						
Calgary, Alta., Can.	First Sw. Luth	O. B. Nelson	35	7	Frame	Par	12,000
Calmar, Alta., Can.		Vacant	19		Frame		2,000
Camrose, Alta., Can.	Fridhem	Vacant	30		Frame		3,000
Colonsay, Sask., Can.							
Dubuc, Sask., Can.	New Sweden						
Eriksdale, Man., Can.	Gethsemane						
Edberg, Alta., Can.	Meeting Creek						
Earl Grey, Sask., Can.							
Falun, Alta., Can.	Dalby						
Flemming, Sask., Can.		J. O. Lindquist	20		Frame		1,000
Fort Williams,Ont.,Can.	Zion	F. Edw. Olson	45	15	Stone	Par	14,000
Halbrite, Sask., Can.							
Inwood, Man., Can.							
Johnston Lake,Sask.,Can.							
Kellehes, Sask., Can.	Bethel	Vacant					
Kenora, Ont., Can.	Bethesda		90	110	Frame	Par	5,757
Kinistino, Sask., Can.	Zion	Vacant					
Lunder, Man., Can.							
Ludemo, Alta., Can.	Wilhelmina	O. Lindgren	29	20	4 Acres Land		60
Melfort, Sask., Can.							
Moose Jaw, Sask., Can.		Vacant					
Marchwell, Sask., Can.		Vacant	48	12	Frame		1,500
Norris Lake, Man., Can.	Bethel	Vacant	46				
Net of Lakes, Sask., Can.	Ebenezer						
Port Arthur, Ont., Can.	Immanuel	F. Edw. Olson	22	3	Cement		2,500
Theodore, Sask., Can.	Elim						
Wadena, Sask., Can.							
Westrose, Alta., Can.	Zion						
Wetaskiwin, Alta., Can.	Bethlehem	G. Olson, Stud.	31	25	Frame	Lot	3,000
Whitemouth, Man., Can.	Immanuel	J. O. Lindquist	12				
Yorkton, Sask., Can.							
Young, Sask., Can.							
Albia, Ia.	Ebenezer	D. N. Anderson	23	20		Par	5,575
Bancroft, Ia.	Immanuel	Carl G. Lundell	55	35	Frame		5,000
Buxton, Ia.	Ebenezer	D. N. Anderson	121	42	Frame		2,800
Cedar Rapids, Ia.	Saron	E. C. Jessup	62	40	Frame	Par	12,000
Cherokee, Ia.	Bethlehem	J. P. Nordstrom, v.p	44	25	Frame		2,500
Cherokee Co., Ia.	Bethania	J. P. Nordstrom,v.p.	42				
Centerville, Ia.		Vacant	113	35	Frame	Par	4,000
Council Bluffs, Ia.	Immanuel	E. Glad	85	39	Brick	Par	10,500
Creston, Ia.	Salem	C. G. Samuelson	140	40	Frame	Par	9,000
Delaware, Ia.	Immanuel	E. C. Jessup	78	16	Frame		2,000
Des Moines, Ia.	Grandview	Carl Lorimer	110	80	Frame		6,000
*Des Moines, Ia.	Bethany	E. W. Carlson	93	50	Frame		6,000
Fort Dodge, Ia.	Bethlehem	N. Gibson	158	59	Brick	Par	15,000
Fairfield, Ia.	Immanuel	Vacant	40	7	Frame		3,300
Hiteman, Ia.	Augustana	D. N. Anderson	46	23	Frame		1,800
Keokuk, Ia.		A. G. Fjellman	82	24	Frame	Par	6,000
Lincoln, Ia.		A. E. Gustafson	68	20	Frame	Par	6,000
Marcus, Ia.	Carmel	J. P. Nordstrom	66	42	Frame	Par	6,000
Marshalltown, Ia.		C. A. Carlson	96	50	Brick	Par	12,500
Meriden, Ia.	St. Jacob's	J. P. Nordstrom	29				
Shenandoah, Ia.	Immanuel	G. O. Gustafson,v.p.	72	25	Frame	Par	6,000

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Sioux City, Ia	Immanuel	O. N. Verenius	114	58	Frame	Par	$ 13,150
Summitville, Ia	Victoria	A. G. Fjellman	26	22	Frame		600
Spencer, Ia	Bethesda	A. E. Gustafson	48	14	Frame	Par	3,500
Vinton, Ia							
Bucklin, Mo	Bethlehem	Vacant	26				
St. Louis, Mo	Gethsemane	Carl J.Segerhammar	132	50	Brick	Par	22,000
Swedeborg, Mo		Vacant	28		Frame		1,000
Verona, Mo		Vacant	24	24	Frame	Par	800
Anoka, Neb		C. G. Blomquist					
Benson, Neb	Augustana	F. J. Ellman	48	30	Frame		4,250
Boyd Co., Neb	Messiah	C. G. Blomquist	44	50	Frame		800
Boyd Co., Neb	Rosendahl	J. P. Samuelson					
Cheyenne Co., Neb	Peniel	J. P. Samuelson	13	8	Frame		250
Deuel Co., Neb	Berea	J. P. Samuelson	35	10	Frame		5,000
Deuel Co., Neb	Siloa	J. P. Samuelson	28	22	Stone		300
Florence, Neb	Ebenezer	F. J. Ellman	10		Frame		2,500
Genoa, Neb	Augustana	Oscar Purn	112	86	Brick	Par	16,500
Greeley, Neb	Concordia	Vacant	58	17	Frame	Par	5,000
Havelock, Neb		E. G. Knock					
Hershey, Neb	Maria	Vacant	38	30			
Kearney, Neb		Vacant	50	25	Frame	Par	5,600
Minden, Neb	Nazareth	Jesper Holmquist	38	12	Frame		4,500
Norman, Neb	Falun	Jesper Holmquist	27		Frame		2,650
So. Omaha, Neb	Gethsemane	F. J. Ellman	88	35	Frame		4,000
Cheyenne, Wyo		J. P. Samuelson	12		Frame		5,200
Rock Springs, Wyo		J. P. Samuelson	19				
Sheridan, Wyo	Libanon	O. T. Floodberg,Stu.	28	24			
Bridgeport, Kans							
Brantford, Kans	Zion	Aug. A. Norden	90	40	Stone	Par	6,500
Chanute, Kans		Fred W. Hanson					
Johnstown, Kans							
*Lindsborg, Kans	Messiah	C. M. Olander	153	95	Brick	Par	22,000
Mt. Hope, Kans							
Ottawa, Kans		Fred W. Hanson	20	20	Frame		3,000
Page City, Kans	Bethesda	A. P. Martin	36	34	Frame		1,500
Rawlins Co., Kans	Enne	Vacant	41	22	Frame		500
Scandia, Kans	Amana	Ch. Th. Carlson	98	30	Stone & Br		14,000
Sharon Springs, Kans	Saron	A. P. Martin	27	29	Frame	Par	1,700
Stockholm, Kans	Bethania	A. P. Martin	70	91	Frame		1,500
Swedeborg, Kans							
Vilas, Kans	Bethel	Fred W. Hanson	88	35	Frame	Par	3,000
Wichita, Kans							
Ault, Colo	Fridhem	F. O. W. Gustafson	45		Brick	Lot	5,000
Colorado Springs, Colo		Carl Walleen	50	15	St. & Br		5,300
Cripple Creek, Colo		J. H. Nelson					
Denver, Colo	Bethany	R. P. Acsell	125	100	St. & Br	Par	13,000
Ft. Collins, Colo		A. M. Broleen					
Greeley, Colo	Immanuel	F. O. W. Gustafson	104	45	Brick	Lot	8,500
Haxtum, Colo	Elim	A. M. Broleen, v.p.	32			Lot	300
Idaho Springs, Colo	Zion	O. M. Anderson	38	28	Frame	Par	3,000
Leadville, Colo	Bethania	Carl Henderson	43	54	Frame		4,000
Loveland, Colo	Zion	A. M. Broleen	78	15	Frame	Par	4,000
Victor, Colo	Nebo	J. H. Nelson	64	50	Brick	Par	4,000
Oklahoma City, Okla	Immanuel	A. S. Segerhammar.	27				
Austin, Tex	Gethsemane	C. E. Olson	90	28	Brick	Par	20,000
Avoca, Tex	Bethel	Vacant	90	163	Frame	Par	8,100
Carancahua, Tex	Sw. Ev. Luth	J. A. Stamline					
Dallas, Tex	Immanuel	M. Noyd	15		Frame		2,500
Elcampo, Tex	Phillippi	Theo. Seashore	139	47	Frame	Par	5,750
Elroy, Tex	Moline	Carl O. Nordell	69	20	Frame	Par	4,380
Ft. Worth, Tex	Gustaf Adolf	M. Noyd	47	15	Brick	Par	16,000
Galveston, Tex	Zion	O. E. Cassling	68	60	Frame	Par	10,500
Kenedy, Tex	Sw. Ev. Luth	J. A. Staimline					
Olivia, Tex	Eden	C. J. Damstrom	41	10	Frame		2,400
Arleta, Ore	Tabor	J. E. Carlson	15	22	Frame	Lot	1,000
Astoria, Ore	First Swedish	B. N. Glim	88	44	Frame	Par	8,000
*Astoria, Ore	Memorial Eng	Chas. Pehrson	63	88	Frame		4,500
*Astoria, Ore	Lewis and Clarke	Chas. Pehrson	25				
Beaverton, Ore							

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Cherry Grove, Ore							
Elida, Ore							
Gooseberry, Ore	Valby	B. S. Nystrom	40	7	Frame		$ 1,000
Magyer, Ore	Columbia	B. S. Nystrom	28	20			150
Melrose, Ore	Eden	N. J. Sture	35	15			1,500
Mist, Ore	Bethlehem	B. S. Nystrom	28		Frame		800
Powell Valley, Ore	Saron	J. E. Carlson	69	33	Frame		1,000
Warren, Ore	Bethania	B. S. Nystrom	75	50	Frame		2,500
Aberdeen, Wash	Siloam	J. Truedson	5	6		Lot	700
Anacostes, Wash	Swed. Luth	G. A. Anderson,v.p.	19		Frame		2,400
Bellingham, Wash	Immanuel	R. Vallquist	33	25	Frame		4,000
Bothel, Wash	Johannes	O. R. Karlstrom	21	12	Frame		1,000
Brush Prairie, Wash	Elim	J. C. Carlson	60	25	Frame		1,000
Coal Creek, Wash							
Clearbrook, Wash	First	J. P. Neander	56		Frame		500
Ethel, Wash		J. Truedson					
*Everett, Wash	Trinity	A. V. Anderson	38	50	Frame		3,200
Everett, Wash	Zion	J. E. Carlson	98	73	Frame	Par	10,000
Hartford, Wash	Ebenezer	A. V. Anderson	38	35		Lot	200
Hoquiam, Wash	Saron	S. Truedson	35	31	Frame		2,800
Manzanita, Wash		A. M. Green					
Mt. Vernon, Wash		G. A. Anderson					
Marysville, Wash		A. V. Anderson					
North Yakima, Wash	Immanuel	V. N. Thoren	52	21		Lot	1,400
Olympia, Wash	Swedish-Finnish	A. M. Green	18	11	Frame		2,000
Pleasant Beach, Wash							
Port Blakely, Wash							
‖Ruston, Wash		C. E. Frish		50			
Rochester, Wash	Swedish-Finnish	J. Truedson	44	30	Frame		2,200
Seattle, Wash	Bethel	C. E. Frisk	81	75	Frame		7,000
Seattle, Wash	Bethany	C. R. Karlstrom	95	119	Frame	Par	13,000
Seattle, Wash	Swedish-Finnish	F. E. W. Kastman	76	50	Frame	Lot	7,000
Sedro-Wooley, Wash		G. A. Anderson,v.p.	25		Frame		2,300
Skagit, Wash	Finnish-Swedish	G. A. Anderson					
Skamokawa, Wash	Bethany	Chas. Pehrson	18		Frame		1,000
**Spokane, Wash	Trinity	H. A. W. Yung	31	36	Frame	Par	7,500
So. Tacoma, Wash	Immanuel	A. M. Green	58	49	Frame	Par	500
So. Bend, Wash	Ansgarii	Vacant	8		Frame		500
Vega, Wash	Sunne	A. M. Green, v.p.	32		Frame		700
Waterman, Wash	Elim	O. R. Karlstrom	34		Land		100
Wilkeson, Wash							
Hammond, B. C							
Mable Lake, B. C	Tabor		24				
New Westminster, B. C	Immanuel	C. R. Swanson, v.p.	10		Frame	Lot	2,500
Prince Rupert, B. C		J. A. Levin					
Revelstoke, B. C							
S. E. British, Columbia							
Berkeley, Cal	Bethania	A. Kinell					
Bay Point, Cal		N. P. Anseen, v.p.					
Eureka, Cal	Eureka	P. O. Hanson	40		Frame	Par	6,500
Escalon, Cal	Sharon	P. E. Berg, v.p.	35	25	Frame		2,800
Fresno, Cal	First Sw. Luth	M. A. Nordstrom	34		Frame		5,000
Irwin City, Cal	Berea	P. E. Berg, v.p.	47	20	Frame		3,000
Kerman, Cal	Bethania	M. A. Nordstrom	58	27	Frame		2,800
Pasadena, Cal		B. O. Berg					
Riverside, Cal	Eden	L. N. Dahlsten	77	35	Frame	Par	11,000
San Diego, Cal		B. O. Berg					
San Francisco, Cal	Emanuel	J. Telleen	29	70	Frame		7,500
Bingham Canyon, Utah	Bethlehem	Erik Floreen	25		Frame		2,000
Eureka, Utah	Bethel	Erik Floreen	15				
‖Ogden, Utah	Elim	Erik Floreen	38	25	Frame	Par	6,500
Park City, Utah	St. John's	Erik Floreen	25		Frame		2,500
*Provo, Utah	Bethany	Erik Floreen	2		Brick	Par	5,000
Salt Lake City, Utah	Zion	Erik Floreen	72	35	Brick	Par	26,000
Black Foot, Idaho	Immanuel	Luther Stromquist	28	12	2 Lots		400
‖Boise, Idaho	Immanuel	Luther Cornay, stud	52	22	Stone	Par	16,000
*Burley, Idaho		Luther Cornay,Stud	16		Frame		1,200
Coeur d' Alene, Idaho	Zion	J. A. Edlund	99	45	Frame		3,000
Firth, Idaho	Bethel	Luther Stromquist	31	26	Frame		3,500

1. Augustana Synod (Continued).

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars.	Church Property. Ch.	Par.	Value of Property.
Idaho Falls, Idaho	Gustaf Adolf	J. W. Nyvall	51	41	Frame	Par	$ 7,000
Kellogg, Idaho							
Kootenai, Idaho							
Mullan, Idaho							
Newport, Idaho							
Nora, Idaho							
*Payette, Idaho	Immanuel	Luther Cornay	24	32	Frame		2,000
Sand Point, Idaho		J. A. Edlund					
Shelley, Idaho	Bethel	J. W. Nyvall	12		Frame		500
Troy, Idaho	Westdala	Vacant	94	55	Frame	Par	3,500
Train Falls, Idaho		Luther Cornay, stud					
Wallace, Idaho							
Douglas, Alaska		J. H. Warmanen	12	51	Frame	Par	6,000
Juneau, Alaska		J. H. Warmanen					
Barber, Mont		O. T. Floodberg,stud					
Billings, Mont		O.T.Floodberg,stud					
Bonnes, Mont		O.T.Floodberg,stud					
Butte, Mont	Emanuel	Vacant	51	35	Frame		5,000
E. Helena, Mont		P. A. Fair					
Great Falls, Mont	Bethlehem	C. A. Eckstrom	146	70	Stone & Br		12,000
Helena, Mont	St. John's	P. A. Fair	80	20	Brick	Par	12,000
Hamilton, Mont		Waldo C. Ekeberg					
Lothrop, Mont		Waldo C. Ekeberg					
Missoula, Mont	Emanuel	Waldo C. Ekeberg	79	43	Frame		6,308
Red Lodge, Mont		O.T.Floodberg,stud					
Roundup, Mont		O.T.Floodberg,stud					
Wooldridge, Mont		And.G.Anderson,std					
Birmingham, Ala		A. A. Swanlund					
Ensley, Ala		A. A. Swanlund					
Fruithurst, Ala	Emanuel	A. A. Swanlund	9				
Silver Hill, Ala	Zion	A. A. Swanlund	9				
St. Elmo, Ala		A. A. Swanlund					
Thorsby, Ala	Concordia	A. A. Swanlund	51	45	Frame		1,800
Theodore, Ala		A. A. Swanlund					
De Land, Fla		E. J. Werner					
Pierson, Fla	Ebenezer	E. J. Werner	52	12	Frame	Par	5,000
Upsala, Fla		E. J. Werner	9		Frame		1,000
Memphis, Tenn		J. P. Leaf					
Tennessee Ridge, Tenn	Immanuel	J. P. Leaf	31	45			
Total	506 Missions	191 Missionaries	22,715	12,749			$1,607,418

Of the 506 missions 488 are Swedish, 15 (marked*) are English, and 3 (marked‖) are Swedish-English. V.p. signifies vice-pastor; these are not included in the total of missionaries. In this report are included all congregations receiving aid from the Synod or its Conferences.

2. CANADA SYNOD

Auburn	Salem						
Pt. Elgin	Salem	Rev. K. Ziegler	53	15		Par	$ 6,000
South Ampton	Preaching Station.						
Arnprior	St. John						
Admaston	St. James	Rev. Wm. Kupfer	203	50		Par	9,000
Maynooth	Christ						
Denbigh	St. Paul's						
Raglan	St. Stephen's	Rev. E. Gomann	130	20	2 Fr. Chur's	Par	7,000
Plevna Quadeville	Preaching Stat's.						
Greenlake	Grace				1 Brick and		
Wilberforce	Bethlehem	Rev. G. Daechsel	300	86	2 Frame chs	Par	10,000
Bonnachere	St. John						
Massey	Zion						
Chalk River	Trinity						
Mattawa	St. John						
Haileybury	Zion				2 Frame Churchs		
Coppercliffe	Preaching Stat's.	Rev. M. Hamm	197	20		Par	6,000
Cache Bay							
North Bay							
Sprucedale							
New Liskeard							
Iroquois Falls & Cochrane							

3. NEW YORK MINISTERIUM. (For totals see Recapitulation)

4. NOVA SCOTIA SYNOD.

Milville	Milville Parish	D. K. Fetterly	375	50	Frame	Par	$8,350

5. PENNSYLVANIA MINISTERIUM

PLACE.	CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Communicants.	S. S. Scholars.	Church Property. Ch.	Church Property. Par.	Value of Property.
North Cramer Hill; N. J.	Christ	Rev. Paul Ludwig	280	170			$30,000
Tacony, Pa.	Tacony	Rev. A. Biemueller	185	120			12,000
Bristol, Pa.	Bristol	Rev. A. Biemueller	62	42			
Germantown, Pa.	St. Thomas	Rev. H. P. Fresemann	118	80			11,800
Liberty Park, N. J.	Nazareth	Rev. Otto Dietterich	258	135			10,000
Woodbury, N. J.	St. John's	Rev. Otto Dietterich	54	40			2,500
Gloucester, N. J.	Bethany	W. F. Hingkeldey	75	80			5,250
Williamstown, N. J.	St. John's	W. F. Hingkeldey	70	30			2,000
Carbondale, Pa.	St. Paul's	R. L. Pfeil	110	95			8,000
Philadelphia, Pa.	Erloeser	G. A. Greve	68	100			3,500
Philadelphia, Pa.	St. John's(Danish)	Vacant	20				
Philadelphia, Pa.	St. Peter's (Italian)	Vacant					
Total	12 Missions		1,300	892			85,050

6 PITTSBURGH SYNOD

Ambridge, Pa.	Zion's	J. I. Shaud	203	175	Brick		$8,000
Anapolis, O.	St. Paul	Vacant	28	35	Frame		1,500
Ashtabula, O.	First English	C. L. V. Dozer	49	62	Brick		8,500
Avonmore, Pa.	St. Andrew	C. E. Schweikert	16	20	Frame		4,000
Avonmore, Pa.	St. James'	C. E. Schweikert	35	35	Brick		2,000
Baden, Pa.	Christ	F. W. Richter	67	57	Frame	Frame	10,000
Bellevue, Pa.	Emanuel's	B. F. Hankey	181	165	Stone		25,000
Braddock, Pa.	Trinity	S. K. Herbster	110	89	Frame	Brick	13,000
Bridgeport, O.	Trinity	D.P.T.Crickenberger	162	200	Brick	Brick	18,000
Bridgeville, Pa.	Zion	E. R. W. Schlick	47	59	Frame	Frame	8,000
Cambridge Springs, Pa.	Grace	T. B. Roth, D.D	23		Frame		2,500
Carrick, Pa.	Ch. Redeemer	J. A. Waters	167	118	Frame		16,500
Chalk Hill, Pa.	Christ	J. A. Boord	30	52	Frame		2,500
Cheat Haven, Pa.	Trinity	J. A. Boord	15		Frame		1,500
Conneaut, O.	Grace	J. C. F. Rupp	54	67	Brick		5,000
Conway, Pa.	First Lutheran	F. W. Richter	46	108	Brick		5,500
Corry, Pa.	St. Paul	Wm. A. Hall	58	72	Brick	Frame	4,000
Erie, Pa.	St. Matthew	H. F. Gruhn	150	120	Frame	Frame	8,000
Emrickville, Pa.	Grace	G. J. Diener	34		Frame		1,500
Farrell, Pa.	Grace	J. J. Neudoerfer	90	85	Frame		8,000
Fayette Co., Pa.	St. John's	J. A. Boord	25		Frame		1,500
Fenneltown, Pa.	Ev. Luth.	C. E. Schweikert	26	25	Frame		2,000
Heomtown, Pa.	St. Paul's	G. J. Diener	40	66	Frame		1,800
Huffman, Pa.	Ev. Luth.	J. A. Boord	35	25	Brick		1,000
Hunker, Pa.	St. Matthew	L. Beisicker	66	104	Brick		4,500
Jeannette, Pa.	Christ	Geo. E. A. Reschke	34	24	Frame	Frame	5,000
Johnsonburg, Pa.	St. John's	A. Gruhn	150	112	Brick	Brick	5,500
Latrobe, Pa.	Christ	Geo. E. A. Reschke	42	25	Frame		6,000
Lawrence Park, Pa.	Christ	E. L. T. Engers	25	40	Frame		5,000
Leetsdale, Pa.	St. Matthew	E. O. Graham	82	106	Frame		3,500
Moundsville, W. Va.	Ev. Luth.	R. E. McDaniel	45	30	Frame		3,500
North East, Pa.	St. Peter's	M. A. Maier	72	62	Brick		10,000
Osage, O.	Good Hope	Vacant	37	35	Frame		2,000
Parkersburg, W. Va.	St. John's	H. S. Gilbert	153	90	Frame	Frame	10,000
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Epiphany	I. M. Wallace	76	100	Frame		5,000
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Grace	Vacant	50	155	Frame		8,000
Pitcairn, Pa.	St. Paul's	H. F. Obenauf	66	48	Frame		2,300
Reynoldsville, Pa.	Trinity	G. J. Diener	60	76	Frame	Frame	4,500
Saltsburg, Pa.	St. John's	C. E. Schweikert		42	Brick		7,000
Smithton, Pa.	Memorial	J. A. Boord	48	60			
Sewickley, Pa.	St. Paul's	P. J. C. Glatzert		40			4,000
Springdale, Pa.	St. Mark's	C. A. Dennig	50	53	Brick		12,500
Struthers, O.	St. James	P. Riffer	50	60	Frame		4,000
Tarentum, Pa.	Grace	C. A. Dennig	65	51	Frame		3,000
Trafford, Pa.	St. Mark's	H. F. Obennauf	17	41			400
Verona, Pa.	Trinity	Wm. F. Pfeifer	110	101	Frame	Frame	11,500
Wellsville, O.	Zion	Vacant	23	50	Frame		3,500
Wheeling, W. Va.	Christ	F. C. Snyder	58	130	Frame		9,000
Woodlawn, Pa.	House of Prayer	Vacant	56	25	Brick		15,000
Wallrose, Pa.	St. Matthew	J. I. Shaud	85	43	Brick		3,500
Youngwood, Pa.	St. Luke's	L. Beisicker	135	144	Brick	Brick	12,500
Wesleyville		M. A. Maier		25			
Drake's Mills	St. Paul's	Vacant	50	40	Frame		2,000
McKean, Pa.	Trinity	Vacant	52		Brick		4,000
Mill Creek, Pa.	St. Peter	Vacant	45		Frame		1,800
Suterville, Pa.	St. Paul's	J. A. Boord	8	15			
Niles, O.	Christ	P. Riffer	12				
Total	57 Missions	31 Missionaries	3,393	3,492			$327,800

RECAPITULATION OF GENERAL COUNCIL HOME MISSIONS.

I. Missions Supported by	Number of Missions	No. of Mission-aries	Communi-cant Members	Sunday School Members	Value of Church Property.
General Council English Board	128	80	10,100	14,839	$1,079,375
General Council German Board	69	30	3,674	1,350	125,305
Augustana Synod (Swedish and English)	506	191	22,715	12,749	1,607,418
General Council Porto Rico Board	15	5	423	547	17,500
General Council Slovak Board	83	15	3,481	.....	170,500
Canada Synod (German)	22	5	883	191	38,000
New York Ministerium (German)	13	10	800	650	72,000
Nova Scotia Synod (English)	1	1	375	50	8,350
Pennsylvania Ministerium (German & Danish)	10	7	1,226	852	61,150
Pittsburgh Synod (German & English)	57	31	3,393	3,492	327,800
Total	904	375	47,070	34,730	$5,507,398

2. MISSIONS ACCORDING TO STATES, TERRITORIES AND PROVINCES.

United States

Alabama	7
Alaska	2
California	14
Colorado	13
Connecticut	13
District of Columbia	1
Florida	3
Idaho	17
Illinois	37
Indiana	6
Iowa	27
Kansas	17
Kentucky	1
Maine	1
Maryland	1
Massachusetts	21
Michigan	30
Minnesota	90
Missouri	4
Montana	17
Nebraska	16
New Hampshire	1
New Jersey	25
New York	55
North Dakota	13
Ohio	40
Oklahoma	1
Oregon	23
Pennsylvania	125
Rhode Island	2
South Dakota	10
Tennessee	2
Texas	11
Utah	6
Vermont	1
Virginia	4
Washington	47
West Virginia	5
Wisconsin	40
Wyoming	3
Total	752

Canada

Alberta	24
British Columbia	9
Manitoba	25
Nova Scotia	1
Ontario	32
Saskatchewan	46
Total	137
Porto Rico	15
Grand Total	904

3. MISSIONS ACCORDING TO LANGUAGES.

(1). English Missions

Synods	Churches	Com. Memb's
Augustana	15	682
Central Canada	6	237
Chicago	14	1,372
New York and New England	14	1,005
Northwest	16	1,455
Nova Scotia	1	375
Ohio District	14	1,128
Pacific	7	504
Pennsylvania	57	4,379
Pittsburgh	30	1,700
Total	174	12,837

(2). German Missions.

Synods	Churches	Com. Memb's
Canada	22	883
Manitoba	53	3,191
New York	13	800
Pacific	16	483
Pennsylvania	9	1,226
Pittsburgh	27	1,693
Total	140	8,276

(3). Swedish Missions.

Synods	Churches	Com. Memb's
Augustana	491	22,033

(4). Danish and Italian Missions.

Pennsylvania	2	20

(5). Spanish and English Missions.

Porto Rico	15	423

(6). Slovak Missions.

Pennsylvania, etc	83	3,481
Grand Total	901	46,835

Summary of General Council Missions.

Languages	Churches	Com. Memb's
English	174	12,837
German	137	8,276
Swedish	491	22,033
Danish and Italian	2	20
Spanish	14	423
Slovak	83	3,481
Grand Total	904	47,070

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(*) Indicates Unfinished Business.

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